## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

ALBERT L. GRAY, Administrator, et al. **Plaintiffs** 

VS.

C.A. No. 04-312-L

JEFFREY DERDERIAN, et al. Defendants

## STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL RULE 36(b)

In accordance with the requirements set forth in Local Rule 36(b), attached hereto and filed herewith are attested copies of the following documents which represent all State court records and proceedings in the action known as Albert L. Gray, et al. v. Jeffrey Derderian, et al., and C.A. No. PC 04-3985:

- 1. A copy of the petition or notice of removal;
- A certified or attested copy of the State Court docket sheet; and 2.
- Certified or attested copies of every document in the State Court record 3. which documents are arranged in sequential order as they appear on the State Court docket and tabbed to facilitate the location of the individual document.

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I hereby certify that on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004, I served a true copy of the within document via first class mail, postage prepaid to the following parties:

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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

ALBERT L. GRAY, Administrator of the Estate of DEREK GRAY et al.,	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	C.A No: 04-312-L
vs.	) ) )	(R.I. Superior Court C.A. No. PC 04-3985)
JEFFREY DERDERIAN, et al.,	)	
Defendants.	· )	

### NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Defendant ANHEUSER-BUSCH, INC., by its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of its removal of this action, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1369, 28 U.S.C. §1441(e), and 28 U.S.C. §1446, to the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island and in support thereof states as follows:

## INTRODUCTION

- On February 20, 2003, a fire destroyed The Station nightclub 1. located in West Warwick, Rhode Island, resulting in the deaths of 100 people and injuries to hundreds more. See Compl. at p. 17.
- Within weeks of the tragedy, multiple lawsuits were filed in both 2. federal and state courts. On April 22, 2003, Passa v. Derderian, 03-CV-148 was filed in this court and assigned to the Honorable Judge Ronald R. Lagueux. Subject matter jurisdiction was predicated upon the newly enacted Multiparty, Multiforum Trial Jurisdiction Act ("MMTJA" or "the Act"), which vests federal courts with jurisdiction rue Copy Attest

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over actions involving a single accident at a discrete location resulting in the death of at least 75 persons. See 28 U.S.C. § 1369 (2003) ("Section 1369").

- two of the actions originally filed in state court, asserting the MMTJA as the basis for subject matter jurisdiction. See Kingsley v. Derderian, 03-CV-208; Kinan v. Derco, LLC, 03-CV-207 (the Kinan action was voluntarily dismissed on July 8, 2003). On August 7, 2003, several parties (including Anheuser-Busch) relied on the MMTJA once again to remove three miscellaneous petitions that were filed in the Rhode Island state court shortly after the fire seeking to preserve certain pieces of evidence. See Alves v. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., 03-MC-70; O'Brien v. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., 03-MC-71; Unnamed Manufacturers v. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., 03-MC-72 (the Unnamed Manufacturers petition was withdrawn on September 19, 2003). All of the removed actions were assigned to Judge Lagueux. See Exhibit A.
  - 4. Various parties challenged the Court's subject matter jurisdiction under the MMTJA. The issues were briefed and on October 15, 2003, Judge Lagueux heard oral argument. On March 29, 2004, he ruled that (1) the Court had subject matter jurisdiction over the pending fire-related actions under Section 1369 of the MMTJA; and (2) abstention under Section 1369(b) was not required. See Passa v. Derderian, 308 F. Supp. 2d 43, 65 (D.R.I. 2004). Judge Lagueux also stayed all discovery "until

<sup>&</sup>quot;[I]t is clear than in enacting § 1369, Congress intended to create a people disposed tension stemming from one major disaster could easily be consolidated in one federal court for discovery and trial." Passa v. Derderian, 308 F. Supp. 3d 43, 53 (D.R.I. 1004).

September 1, 2004, in order to allow all potential plaintiffs an opportunity to bring suit and participate in discovery from the outset." Id.

- On July 22, 2004, this action was filed in the Superior Court of Providence County on behalf of over 200 individuals seeking to recover for injuries arising out of The Station fire.
- This action is removable under the MMTJA for all of the reasons set forth in Judge Lagueux's March 29 opinion. See Passa, 308 F. Supp. 2d 43. Specifically, subject matter jurisdiction exists under Section 1369(a) and the requirements of 28 U.S.C. § 1441(e)(1)(A) and (e)(1)(B)<sup>2</sup> have been met. First, this action is removable under Section 1441(e)(1)(A) because the action could have been originally filed under Section 1369(a). Alternatively and independently, this action is also removable under Section 1441(e)(1)(B) because Anheuser-Busch is a party to multiple actions originally filed in a federal district court under Section 1369 that arise from the same accident as this action. See e.g., Passa v. Derderian, 03-CV-148; Kingsley v. Derderian, 03-CV-208; Guindon v. American Foam Corp., 03-CV-335; Henault v. American Foam Corp., 03-CV-483; Roderiques v. American Foam Corp., 04-CV-26; Sweet v. American Foam Corp., 04-CV-56.

## NATURE OF THE ACTION

Plaintiffs are alleged to be citizens of multiple states including Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Florida, Maine and Ohio. See Compl. at ¶¶1-226.

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Section 1441(e) was revised at the time the MMTJA was enacted to set forth the criteria for removing actions governed by the Act.

- 7. Plaintiffs allege that "on February 20, 2003 . . . a fire was caused to spread throughout and to consume the premises at 211 Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick," and that as a result, "plaintiffs were caused to sustain injuries and/or death and other damages." *Id.* at ¶ 271.
- 8. The Complaint names fifty-seven defendants, including ten "John Doe" defendants.
- 9. Plaintiffs assert a negligence claim against defendant Anheuser-Busch, Inc. *Id.* at ¶ 386.

## SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION

10. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action under 28 U.S.C. § 1369(a) which provides that:

The district courts shall have original jurisdiction of any civil action involving minimal diversity between adverse parties that arises from a single accident, where at least 75 natural persons have died in the accident at a discrete location, if (1) a defendant resides in a State and a substantial part of the accident took place in another State or other location, regardless of whether that defendant is also a resident of the State where a substantial part of the accident took place; (2) any two defendants reside in different States regardless of whether such defendants are also residents of the same State or States; or (3) substantial parts of the accident took place in different States.

28 U.S.C. § 1369(a)(1)-(3) (2003).

"[M]inimal diversity exists between adverse parties if any party is a citizen of a State and any adverse party is a citizen of another state." 28 U.S.C. § 1369(c)(1) (2004). Such is the case here because at the time of the filing of the action and at all times since, defendant Anheuser-Busch, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Missouri, with its principal place of business in St. Louis, rue Copy Attest

Missouri, and at least one plaintiff is a citizen of another state. For example, at the time of the filing of this action and "at times material hereto," plaintiff Kathleen Sullivan is alleged to be a citizen of the state of Massachusetts. See Compl. at ¶ 80. Accordingly, minimal diversity exists between adverse parties.

- 12. At least seventy-five people died as a result of the fire at The Station. See id. at p. 17.
- 13. Jurisdiction is proper under at least two of the three independent bases set forth in Section 1369(a). The requirement of Section 1369(a)(1) is satisfied because the residency<sup>3</sup> of one defendant, Anheuser-Busch, a Missouri resident, differs from the state where a substantial part of the accident occurred.
- 14. In addition, Section 1369(a)(2) is satisfied because at least two of the defendants reside in different states, as it is alleged that defendants Jack Russell (the lead singer of Great White) and Daniel Biechele (Great White's tour manager) are California residents, see Compl. at ¶¶ 328, 368, while Anheuser-Busch is a Missouri resident. Id. at ¶ 376.

## REMOVAL AUTHORITY

- 15. Removal of this action is authorized under 28 U.S.C. §1441(e)(1), which provides for removal if:
  - (A) the action could have been brought in a United States court under section 1369 [of title 28]; or (B) the defendant is a party to an action which is or could have been brought, in whole or part, under section 1369 in a United States

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For purposes of this section, "a corporation is deemed to be a resident of any State in which it is incorporated or licensed to do business or is doing business." 28 U.S.C. §1369(c)(2) (2003).

district court and arises from the same accident as the action in the State court, even if the action to be removed could not have been brought in a district court as an original matter.

28 U.S.C. § 1441(e)(1)(A) and (B). This case is removable under both subsections 1441(e)(1)(A) and (B).

- 16. Removal is proper under Section 1441(e)(1)(A) because, as established previously, this action could have originally been brought in federal court under Section 1369. See supra ¶¶ 12-15.
- 17. Removal is also independently proper under Section 1441(e)(1)(B) because Anheuser-Busch is a party to multiple actions which were filed in federal court, assert jurisdiction under Section 1369, and arise out of the same accident as the instant action. See Exhibit A. "As a result, § 1441(e)(1)(B) allows Anheuser-Busch to remove to federal court any civil action arising from the same accident in which it is named as a defendant." Passa, 308 F. Supp. 3d at 63.
- 18. This Notice of Removal is timely under Section 1441(e) which provides:

Removal of an action under this section shall be made in accordance with section 1446 of this title . . . or at a later time with leave of the district court.

28 U.S.C. § 1441(e) (2003).

19. As of the date of the filing of this Notice of Removal, Anheuser-Busch had not been served with process, therefore the removal is well within the 30-day period provided for in 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b). Moreover, Section1441(e) also provides that removal may take place at a later time with leave of the district court. See id.

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- 20. Finally, unlike the general rule pertaining to actions removable under 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a), consent of all properly joined and served defendants is not required under Section 1441(e). The plain language of Section 1441(e) vests the right of removal in "a defendant" in the singular and thus must be interpreted to allow any defendant to remove without the consent of any other defendants.
- 21. In the alternative, if, assuming arguendo, that the Court found consent to be required for a removal under Section 1441(e), upon information and belief, only one defendant, the Town of West Warwick, has waived service and has filed its own Notice of Removal which would indicate its consent. See Hernandez-Lopez v. Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, 30 F. Supp. 2d 205, 208 (D.P.R. 1998) (consent requirement extends only to properly joined and served defendants).

## COMPLIANCE WITH PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

- 22. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a), as of the date of this Notice, defendant has not been served with any process, pleadings, or orders, therefore none are attached hereto.
- 23. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), a copy of this Notice of Removal is also being filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Providence County, Rhode Island and defendant will also promptly give written notice to all adverse parties of the filing of this Notice of Removal.
- 24. By removing this action to this Court, defendant does not waive any available defenses.

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## 25. Defendant reserves the right to amend or supplement this

Notice of Removal.

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## NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF OTHER ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to Rule 31 of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island, defendant Anheuser-Busch, Inc. submits that the following list of actions and proceedings known to counsel for Anheuser-Busch as of this date:

#### United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island

1.

C.A. No. 03-148-L Tammy Passa, Alias, Walter Castle, Jr., Alias and Cheryl Harris-Rossi (next-of-kin of decedent, Joseph E. Rossi) v. Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO, LLC, Manic Music Management, Inc., Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc., Anheuser-Busch Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Shell Oil Co. d/b/a/ Motiva Enterprises, LLC, Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, American Foam Corporation, General Foam Corporation, Foamex International, Inc., WHJY, Inc., Clear Channel Communications, Inc., Clear Channel Broadcasting, Inc., Town of West Warwick, Dennis Larocque (individually and as Fire Inspector for the Town of West Warwick), State of Rhode Island, Irving J. Owens (individually and in his capacity as Fire Marshall for the State of Rhode Rien Opy AUAST Realty Limited Partnership, Triton Realty, Inc. and

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Marshall for the State of Rhode Island), Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Triton Realty, Inc., and John Does 1 through 100. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, strict liability, breach of implied warranty of merchantability relating to the deaths and/or injuries to plaintiffs. (Atty. - Ronald J. Resmini, Esq., 155 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903)

2.

C.A. No. 03-208-L Ronald Kingsley, as parent and next friend of Zoe Jean Kingsley, a minor, and on behalf of all beneficiaries of Lisa Kelly, decedent v. Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO d/b/a The Station, Manic Music Management, Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, American Foam Corporation, WHJY-FM, Clear Channel Communications, Inc., and Does 1 through 100. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, strict liability, sponsorship liability. Removed from Providence County Superior Court on May 30, 2003, and docketed therein as C.A. No. PC 03-1171. (Atty. - Stefanie DiMaio Larivee, Esq., 215 Broadway, Providence, RI 02903)

M.C. 03-70-L 3.

In Re: The Station Fire In West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003. Removed from Providence County Superior Court on August 7, 2003, and captioned therein as M.P. 03-1326, Petition of Luis F. Alves & Mary A. Alves (statutory beneficiaries of Luis S. Alves, deceased), and Robert W. Rager. Petitioners stated intent to present civil claims and sought (1) court order authorizing their investigative team to enter premises of The Station to conduct forensic examination and investigation; and (2) permission to subpoena WPRI-TV for all video recordings made at The Station on February 20, 2003.

(Atty. - Patrick T. Jones, Esq., Cooley Manion & Copy Attest

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4. M.C. 03-71-L

In Re: The Station Fire In West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003. Removed from Providence County Superior Court on August 7, 2003 and captioned therein as M.P. 03-1346, Petition of Judith O'Brien (mother of Robert J. Reisner, deceased), Lawrence Fick (father & guardian of minor children of Charlene Fick, deceased), Deborah Lemay, Claire Bruyere (mother of Bonnie Hamelin. deceased), Nancy A. Lee (mother of Christopher Prouty, deceased), Michael Perrault. Petitioners stated intent to present civil claims and retained a team of fire investigation professionals to conduct on-site investigation, and sought (1) permission for experts to enter site and conduct forensic fire investigation; and (2) permission to subpoena WPRI-TV for all video recordings made at The Station on February 20, 2003.

(Atty. - Mark S. Mandell, Esq. & Yvette M. Boisclair, Esq., Mandell, Schwartz & Boisclair, One Park Row, Providence, RI 02903 [on behalf of O'Brien, Fick & Lemay], and Max Wistow, Esq., Wistow & Barylick, Inc., 61 Weybosset Street, Providence, RI 02903 [on behalf of Bruyere, Lee & Perrault])

5.

C.A. No. 03-335-L George Guindon, Barbara Guindon (individually and as mother and next of fried of Erica Guindon, minor), Tammy Ayer (guardian and next of friend of Kayla Marie Dorothy Abbenante Ayer, minor), Louis Rossi (administrator of Estate of Joseph Rossi), Christopher Scot, Julianna Giaven, Eric Malardo, Michelle Malardo, Richard Sanetti, Patricia Sanetti, Michelle Spence (individually and as mother and next of friend of Hailey Spence, minor), Catherine Carignan, Edward Corbett, III, Paul and Betty Roe (individually and as co-administrators of the Estate of Lori K. Durante), Daniel Davidson, and Stephen Bruno v. American Foam Corporation, Foamex International, Barry H. Warner, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Jeffrey Derderian Michael

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6.

C.A. No. 03-483-L Estate of Jude B. Henault by Chad M. Henault and Angela Boggs (co-administrators), Angela Boggs (individually), Rachel M. Henault (ppa Chad M. Henault), Andrew J. Henault (ppa Chad M. Henault), Estate of Samuel A. Miceli, Jr. by Madeline P. Miceli (administrator), Estate of Melvin A. Gerfin, Ir. by Deborah A. Gerfin and Laura Gerfin (co-administrators), Deborah Gerfin (individually), Laura Gerfin (individually), Kelly Gerfin (ppa Deborah Gerfin), Meagan Gerfin (ppa Deborah Gerfin), Nancy Noyes, Caroline Telegarsky (administrator of Estate of Sara Jane Telegarsky), Sarah Jane Telegarsky (individually), Glenn Johnson. Lisa Johnson, and Melanie Holliday v. American Foam Corporation, Barry H. Warner, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO, LLC, Manic Music Management, Inc., Jack Russell, Mark Kendall. David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, Clear Channel Communications, Inc. d/b/a WHJY-FM, Strawberries, Inc., Citadel Communications Corporation d/b/a WQGN-Fm, Motiva Enterprises, LLC, Shell Oil Company, Townsof Was Was wick, by & Sinch, a

Dennis Larocque, State of Rhode Island and Irving J. Owens. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, loss of consortium and joint venture theories relating to the deaths and/or injuries to plaintiffs. Transferred from the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut on October 22, 2003, and docketed therein as C.A. no. 3:03-CV-00999-DJS.

(Atty. - Robert Reardon, Esq. & Robert T. Rimmer, Esq., The Reardon Law Firm, P.C., 160 Hempstead Street, New London, CT 06320 [on behalf of Henault, Miceli, Gerfin and Noyes plaintiffs], John J. Nazzaro, Esq., 164 Hempstead Street, New London, CT 06320 [on behalf of Gerfin plaintiffs], Daniel J. Horgan, Esq., Shaw Cove 5, Suite 200, New London, CT 06320 [on behalf of Johnsons and Holliday plaintiffs], Ralph J. Monaco, Esq., Conway & Londregan, P.C., 38 Huntington Street, P.O. Box 1351, New London, CT 06320 [on behalf of Telegarsky plaintiffs])

#### 7. C.A. 04-026-L

Linda Roderiques (individually, as administrator of the Estate of Donald Roderiques, and as mother and next of friend Mandi Roderiques, minor) v. American Foam Corporation, Foamex International, Barry H. Warner, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO, LLC, Manic Music Management, Inc., Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Companies, Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, Clear Channel Communications, Inc. d/b/a WHTY-FM, Motiva Enterprises, LLC, Shell Oil Company, Town of West Warwick, Dennis Larocque, State of Rhode Island and Irving J. Owens. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, product liability, wrongful death, and loss of consortium relating to the deaths and/or injuries to plaintiffs. Transferred from the United States District Couff for the District of Massachusetts on February 2, 2004, and Mocketed therein as C.A. No. 03-11497-1497-

(Atty. - Brian R. Cunha, Esq., Brian Cunha & Associates, 904 Broadway, East Providence, RI 02914)

C.A. 04-056-L

Charles and Carol Sweet (individually and as administrators of the Estate of Shawn Sweet) v. American Foam Corporation, Foamex International, Barry H. Warner, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO, LLC, Manic Music Management, Inc., Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Companies, Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, Clear Channel Communications, Inc. d/b/a WHJY-FM, Motiva Enterprises, LLC, Shell Oil Company, Town of West Warwick, Dennis Larocque, State of Rhode Island and Irving J. Owens. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, product liability. wrongful death, and loss of consortium relating to the deaths and/or injuries to plaintiffs. Transferred from the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts on February 24, 2004, and docketed therein as C.A. No. 03-11496-RWZ. (Atty. - Brian R. Cunha, Esq., Brian Cunha & Associates, 904 Broadway, East Providence, RI 02914)

## Rhode Island Superior Court, Providence County

9. M.P. 03-1401 Petition of Renee C. Walton (temporary guardian of Gina Gauvin). Petitioner stated intent to present civil claim and has retained fire investigation expert. Sought and was granted permission (1) for expert to enter site to conduct a forensic fire investigation; and (2) permission to subpoena WPRI-TV for all video recordings made at The Station on February 20, 2003)

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AINTIFFS: DEFENDANTS:					
ALBERT L. GRAY, ADMINISTE PLAIM	RATOR, ET AL	, JEFFREY	DERDERIAN, 1	ET AL., ANTS	
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□ AGA Agency appeal	☐ DPC Denial of pr	obate claim	□ PRN Pro		
	☐ EXT Excessive to		☐ PDM Pro		
ANT Anti-trust	☐ INR Injunctive re	elief		perty damage-vehicle	
	☐ IPL Interpleader		RLP Rea	l property	
	☐ LIB Libel/slande			nstate charter	
CLA Common law assignment	☐ MLE Malpractice	legal	DIN Rec	overy of damages/insurance	
CLL Common law lien	☐ MME Malpractice ☐ MOT Malpractice	medical	_ HUF Hed	overy of funds	
CON Contract	MOI Malpractice	otner	_ WUR Hep	ievin, writ oi	
CNV Conversion	☐ WOM Mandamus.	writ of	□ SPP SPE	chic performance	
☐ CRC Criminal conversation ☐ CIC Criminal inj compensation ☐ DOJ Debt on judgment	PRI Partition		TAE Tes	cific performance e clearing (other than tax title) spass and ejectment stee/accounting	
U CIU Criminal inj compensation	☐ IDV Personal in	ury - proporty dam vel	hicle TRA Tru	spass and electricit	
O DTP Deceptive trade practice	D PIV Personal in	rproperty dami-ver	TCY Tou	stee appt convey title	
<ul> <li>□ DOJ Debt on judgment</li> <li>□ DTP Deceptive trade practice</li> <li>□ DEJ Declaratory judgment</li> </ul>	☐ PRL Product liab		UNM Uni	nsured motorist	
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☐ ARA Arbitration award	MISCELLANEO	US PETITIONS			
☐ CAR Arbitration/confirm	☐ TLF Foreclosure	tay lien	C PEL Petit	ion for immunity	
☐ RTA Arbitration/referral	FOC Forfeiture of	charter	C PIN Pet I	or inventory (wire tap)	
□ VAR Arbitration/vacate	C GII Grand Jury	Investigation		ion for review	
☐ AOD Assessment of damages	☐ HAC Habeas corp ☐ MAW Material wit	ius		o take deposition	
CND Condemnation	☐ MAW Material wit	ness			
☐ CFC Confirm compromise	☐ MEL Mechanics!	ien	☐ REC Rece	Souviction relief ivership	
	☐ OSW Out of state	witness	□ R5A R <b>0/e</b>	5A petition	
□ EDP End partnership	☐ PFS Perform sur	• •	☐ TCL AND	-cledring bay sitley	
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☐ WIL Will ☐ TRS Trust ☐ GRO Guardianship ☐ NAC Name change ☐ Other than above (specify type):					
(attorney name) (date)					
□ pro se John P. Barylick, Esq. (#1907) July 22, 2004					

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PROVIDENCE, SC.

SUPERIOR COURT

ALBERT L. GRAY, ADMINISTRATOR, ET AL. : PLAINTIFFS.

VS.

C.A. No. 04-3985

JEFFREY DERDERIAN, ET AL..

DEFENDANTS.

**JURY TRIAL CLAIMED** 

### MASTER COMPLAINT OF SUPERIOR COURT PLAINTIFFS' STEERING COMMITTEE

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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PROVIDENCE, SC.

- 1. Albert L. Gray, Adm. of the Estate of Derek Gray, and on behalf of Jani L. Gray-McGill, minor child of the decedent, Derek Gray;
- 2. Joanne O'Neill, Adm. of the Estate of Nicholas O'Neill:
- 3. Marie G. Morton, Adm. of the Estate of Jason R. Morton, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Jason R. Morton, and as mother and next friend of Kaitlin Marie Morton and Ashley Marie Morton, minor children of the decedent, Jason R. Morton;
- 4. Angel O. Amitrano, Adm. of the Estate of Thomas A. Barnett;
- 5. Joanne L. Mitchell and William Mitchell, CoAdm. of the Estate of Donna M. Mitchell, and
  Joanne L. Mitchell, as guardian and next friend
  of Brooklyn Belanger and Joslynn Belanger,
  minor children of the decedent, Donna M.
  Mitchell;
- 6. Scott J. Vieira, Adm. of the Estate of Kelly
  Lynn Vieira, and as husband and surviving
  spouse of the decedent, Kelly Lynn Vieira, and
  as father and next friend of Crystle Vieira,
  minor child of the decedent, Kelly Lynn Vieira;
- 7. Patricia Avilez, Adm. of the Estate of Eugene Avilez;
- 8. Jennifer L. Young, Adm. of the Estate of Robert Daniel Young and as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Robert Daniel Young;
- 9. Leonard Angers, Adm. of the Estate of Stacie J. Angers;
- 10. Dorothy Marion, Adm. of the Estate of Thomas Frank Marion, Jr.;
- 11. Yvette Fresolo, on behalf of the Estate of Michael Fresolo, and as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Michael Fresolo, and as mother and next friend of Maria Fresolo and Emily Fresolo, minor children of the decedent, Michael Fresolo:
- 12. Heidi Peralta Longley, as parent of and for the benefit of AceyTy Longley, minor child of the decedent, Ty Longley;
- 13. Katherine Shubert, on behalf of the Estate of

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Mitchell Shubert; and as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Mitchell Shubert, and as mother and next friend of Melissa Cara Shubert, minor child of the decedent, Mitchell Shubert; Maryanne Shubert, as minor daughter at the time of death of Mitchell Shubert, and Laura Shubert, as mother and next friend of Mitchell J. Shubert, Jr., minor child of the decedent, Mitchell Shubert;

- 14. Eileen L. DiBonaventura, Adm. of the Estate of Albert DiBonaventura;
- 15. Donna DeBoard, Adm. of the Estate of Daniel Frederickson, and on behalf of Amanda Frederickson, Ryan Frederickson and Amber Frederickson, minor children of the decedent, Daniel Frederickson;
- 16. Judith Marie Croteau, on behalf of the Estate of her son, Robert J. Croteau;
- 17. Warren L. Baker, III and John J. Decosta, III, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Mary H. Baker and John J. Decosta, III as the natural and legal guardian of the persons and estates of Alison M. Decosta, John R. Decosta, Scott A. Decosta and Michael J. Decosta, minor children of the decedent, Mary H. Baker, and Warren L. Baker, III, as husband and surviving spouse of Mary H. Baker;
- 18. Dorothy E. Bonardi, Adm. of the Estate of William C. Bonardi, III;
- 19. Denise M. McGregor and Nancy Depasquale, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Alfred C. Crisostomi and Denise M. McGregor as mother and next friend of Brandon M. Crisostomi, minor child of the decedent, Alfred C. Crisostomi;
- 20. Eileen Dunn as surviving spouse of Kevin Dunn and mother and next friend of Joanna Dunn, minor child of the decedent, Kevin Dunn;
- 21. Anthony J. Durante as father and next friend of Anthony Durante and Matthew Durante, minor children and wrongful death beneficiaries of the decedent, Lori K. Durante;
- 22. Loriann Gooden, Adm. of the Estate of James F. Gooden, and Loriann Gooden, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, James F. Gooden;
- 23. Claire H. Bruyere, Adm. of the Estate of Bonnie

L. Hamelin;

- 24. John M. Hoban, Adm. of the Estate of Andrew R. Hoban;
- 25. Paula A. McLaughlin, Adm. of the Estate of Michael B. Hoogasian;

26. Paula A. McLaughlin, Adm of the Estate of Sandy L. Hoogasian;

- 27. Maria Latulippe, Adm. of the Estate of Dale L. Latulippe and as the natural and legal guardian of the person and estate of Dustin T. Latulippe, minor child of the decedent, Dale L. Latulippe, and Maria Latulippe, Individually as wife and surviving spouse of Dale L. Latulippe;
- 28. John A. Longiaru and Sus Longiaru, Co-Adm. of the Estate of John M. Longiaru;
- 29. Sarah R. Mancini and Anthony B. Mancini, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Keith A. Mancini.
- 30. Barbara Magness, Adm. of the Estate of Steven R. Mancini;
- 31. Paul A. Morin, Adm. of the Estate of Ryan M. Morin:
- 32. Roderick Prouty and Nancy A. Lee, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Christopher Prouty and Paula Woodcock as mother and next friend of Makayla Woodcock the minor child of the decedent Christopher Prouty;

33. Susan Sylvia, Adm. of the Estate of Kevin Anderson, and Melinda Bloomingburgh, as mother and next friend of Kevin Gage, minor child of the decedent, Kevin Anderson;

- 34. Ray F. Beauchaine, Sr., Adm. of the Estate of Laureen Beauchaine, Ray Beauchaine, Jr., individually as husband and surviving spouse of the decedent, Laureen Beauchaine, and Ray Beauchaine, Jr., as father and next friend of Ray F. Beauchaine, III, Christopher R. Beauchaine and Ashley Beauchaine, minor children of the decedent, Laureen Beauchaine
- 35. Sally Blom and Rolland Blom, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Steven Blom, and Sharon Colpitts as mother and next friend of Steven Blom, Jr., a minor child of the decedent, Steven Blom;
- 36. Catherine Cabral, Adm. of the Estate of Richard Cabral, Jr., Catherine Cabral, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Richard Cabral, Jr., and Catherine Cabral, as

- mother and next friend of Christine Cabral and Richard Cabral, III, minor children of the decedent, Richard Cabral, Jr.;
- 37. William H. Cartwright, Jr., Adm. of the Estate of William W. Cartwright;
- 38. Katherine Cordier and Ronald J. Cordier, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Michael Cordier;
- 39. Mark D'Andrea, Adm. of the Estate of Lisa D'Andrea;
- 40. Peter M. DiRienzo, Adm. of the Estate of Christina DiRienzo, Peter M. DiRienzo, individually as husband and surviving spouse of the decedent, Christina DiRienzo, Peter M. DiRienzo, as father and next friend of Beau DiRienzo, minor child of the decedent, Christina DiRienzo, and Peter M. DiRienzo, Jr., as minor son of the deceased, Christina DiRienzo at the time of her death;
- 41. Lawrence E. Fick, Adm. of the Estate of Charline E. Fick, and Lawrence E. Fick, as father and next friend of Samantha Fick and William Fick, minor children of the decedent, Charline E. Fick;
- 42. Timothy J. Fleming, Adm. of the Estate of Thomas J. Fleming;
- 43. Dean DePietro, Adm. of the Estate of Rachel K. Florio-DePietro, and Dean DePietro, as father and next friend of Adrian DePietro, a minor child of the decedent, Rachel K. Florio-DePietro;
- 44. James C. Gahan, III, Adm. of the Estate of James C. Gahan, IV;
- 45. Sandra L. Greene, Adm. of the Estate of Scott C. Greene, and Sandra L. Greene, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Scott C. Greene;
- 46. Bruce G. Pollock, Esq., Adm. of the Estate of Scott S. Griffith, and Nancene Cohen as guardian of the Estate and next friend of Kacie L. Griffith, a minor child of the decedent, Scott S. Griffith;
- 47. Bonnie A. Hoisington, Adm. of the Estate of Abbie L. Hoisington;
- 48. Carlton L. Howorth, Jr., Adm. of the Estate of Carlton L. Howorth, III, and Karen E. Howorth, as mother and next friend of Elizabeth Howorth,

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- a minor child of the decedent, Carlton L. Howorth, III;
- 49. George F. Phelan, Esq., Special Adm. of the Estate of Lisa Kelly;
- 50. Evelyn L. King, Adm. of the Estate of Tracy F. King, Evelyn L. King, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Tracy F. King, Evelyn L. King, as mother and next friend of Joshua King and Jacob King, minor children of the decedent, Tracy F. King and Rozilyn Guy, as mother and next friend of Jordan King, minor child of the decedent, Tracy F. King;
- 51. Barbara A. Kulz and George A. Kulz, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Michael J. Kulz;
- 52. Tammy Lapierre, Adm. of the Estate of Keith R. Lapierre, Tammy Lapierre, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Keith R. Lapierre, and Tammy Lapierre, as mother and next friend of Ryan S. Lapierre and Sarah R. Lapierre, minor children of the decedent, Keith R. Lapierre;
- 53. Judith Carver, Adm. of the Estate of Kristen L. McOuarrie;
- 54. Richard Moreau and Jean Moreau, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Leigh Ann Moreau;
- 55. Michael Reno, Esq., Adm. of the Estate of Beth Mosczynski;
- 56. Richard H. Rakoski, Adm., of the Estate of Theresa L. Rakoski, and Richard H. Rakoski, individually as husband and surviving spouse of the decedent, Theresa L. Rakoski;
- 57. Judy O'Brien, Adm. of the Estate of Robert L. Reisner, III;
- 58. John J. Shaw, Exec. of the Estate of Rebecca Shaw;
- 59. Veda Kerr, Adm. of the Estate of Victor L. Stark;
- 60. Zachary S. Suffoletto and Diana L. Shaughnessy, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Benjamin J. Suffoletto, Jr.;
- 61. Zachary S. Suffoletto and Diana L. Shaughnessy, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Linda D. Suffoletto;
- 62. Honorina Washburn, Adm. of the Estate of Kevin R. Washburn;
- 63. Cheryl Haines, Adm. of the Estate of Everett T.

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- Woodmansee, III;
- 64. Melinda J. Darby, Adm. of the Estate of Matthew P. Darby, individually and as natural parent, next friend and guardian of Jessica L. Darby and Sarah M. Darby, minor children of the decedent, Matthew P. Darby;
- 65. Susan W. Romanoff, Ex. of the Estate of Tracey
  L. Romanoff and Jordan Blasbalg as guardian of
  Joshua Blasbalg and Lindsey Blasbalg, minor
  children of the decedent, Tracey Romanoff;
- 66. Mark P. Hyer, Sr., Adm. of the Estate of Eric J. Hyer;
- 67. Annmarie Swidwa, Adm. of the Estate of Bridget M. Sanetti;
- 68. Stephen A. Gillett, Adm. of the Estate of Laura L. Gillett, individually and as father, next friend and permanent legal guardian of Jake T. Gillett and Jared J. Gillet, minor children of the decedent, Laura L. Gillett;
- 69. Suzanne Fox, Adm. of the Estate of Jeffrey Wood Martin;
- 70. Ellen-Marie Stowers, Adm. of the Estate of Jennifer L. Stowers
- 71. Sharon Eaton, Adm. of the Estate of Edward B. Corbett, III:
- 72. Patricia Belanger, Ex. of the Estate of Dina A. DeMaio and Steven Beardsworth, temporary guardian of Justin Perry, minor child of the decedent, Dina A. DeMaio;
- 73. Robert J. Johnson, Sr., Adm. of the Estate of Derek B. Johnson;
- 74. Jacqueline Jacavone, Adm. of the Estate of Andrea L. Jacavone-Mancini;
- 75. Leo Smith and Doris Smith as Co-Adm. of the Estate of Dennis J. Smith;
- 76. Korina Arruda, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Christopher G. Arruda and as surviving spouse of the decedent, Christopher G. Arruda;
- 77. Gerard W. Fontaine and Rosanna C. Fontaine, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Mark A. Fontaine;
- 78. John J. Libera and Joanne T. Libera, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Stephen Matthew Libera;
- 79. Edward C. Ervanian as Adm. of the Estate of Edward E. Ervanian;
- 80. Kathleen Sullivan;
- 81. Scott J. Vieira, individually and as father and

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- next friend of Crystle Vieira, his minor child;
- 82. Susan H. Chamberlin;
- 83. John F. Van Deusen III, individually and as father and next friend of John F. Van Deusen IV and Dylan Van Deusen, minor children of John F. Van Deusen III;
- 84. Robert J. Luxton;
- 85. Elizabeth Arruda, individually and as mother and next friend of Zoey Retamoza, minor child of Elizabeth Arruda;
- 86. Robert W. Rager;
- 87. Joseph K. Kinan individually and Joseph K. Kinan and Maureen Sullivan, as parents and next friends of Kaitlin E. Sullivan, a minor;
- 88. John F. Fairbairn, individually and as father and next friend of John Fairbairn and Ariana
  Fairbairn, minor children of John F. Fairbairn;
- 89. Andrea F. Fairbairn, individually and as mother and next friend of John Fairbairn, Ariana Fairbairn, Amanda Melendez Durfee and Christopher Melendez Durfee, minor children of Andrea F. Fairbairn;
- 90. Jose Roberto Demos, individually and as father and next friend of Vanessa Santos Demos and Samuel Santos Demos, minor children of Jose Roberto Demos;
- 91. Roberta O'Melia, individually and as mother and next friend of Brendan O'Melia and Christian O'Melia, minor children of Roberta O'Melia:
- 92. Fredrick P. Vallante, Jr., individually and as father and next friend of Caitlyn Vallante and Courtney Vallante, minor children of Fredrick P. Vallante, Jr.;
- 93. Kerrie-Lynn Beers, individually and as mother and next friend of Jeremy T. Beers, minor child of Kerrie-Lynn Beers;
- 94. Francis J. Canillas;
- 95. David Ciccone;
- 96. Christopher J. Travis;
- 97. Jon R. Schmidt, individually and as father and next friend of Ryan Schmidt and Evan Schmidt, minor children of Jon R. Schmidt;
- 98. David B. MacDonald, individually and as father and next friend of David B. MacDonald, Jr., minor child of David B. MacDonald;

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- 99. Paul du Fossé;
- 100. John R. Arpin, individually and as father and next friend of Ryan Arpin and Matthew Arpin, minor children of John R. Arpin;
- 101. Paula Gould;
- 102. Kevin J. Beese, Sr., individually and as father and next friend of Taylor Beese, Brittany Beese and Kevin Beese, Jr., minor children of Kevin J. Beese, Sr.;
- 103. Shaun O'Donnell;
- 104. Brian Loftus;
- 105. Christopher Costa, individually and as father and next friend of Leah Elizabeth Costa Turck, minor child of Christopher Costa;
- 106. Georgette Giroux-Brown, individually and as mother and next friend of Ben Giroux-Brown, minor child of Georgette Giroux-Brown;
- 107. Stephanie Zannella;
- 108. Roberta J. Prete, individually and as mother and next friend of Michael Falco, minor child of Roberta J. Prete;
- 109. Catherine Randall, individually and as mother and next friend of Douglas Randall and Meagan Randall, minor children of Catherine Randall;
- 110. Edward Pezzelli, Jr., individually and as father and next friend of Edward Pezzelli III and Hannah Pezzelli, minor children of Edward Pezzelli, Jr.;
- 111. Paul Pezzelli, individually and as father and next friend of Megan Pezzelli and Kyle Pezzelli, minor children of Paul Pezzelli;
- 112. Joseph P. Barber, individually and as father and next friend of Max Leili and Brandon Tully, minor children of Joseph P. Barber;
- 113. Irina M. Gershelis, individually and as mother and next friend of Brentin St. Jean and Colner St. Jean, minor children of Irina M. Gershelis;
- 114. Rodney J. Gaumitz, individually and as father and next friend of Tyler Gaumitz and Collin Gaumitz, minor children of Rodney J. Gaumitz;
- 115. Donna Reis;
- 116. Ronald S. Schoepfer;
- 117. Richard J. Grace;
- 118. Tawnya Kelly, individually and as mother and next friend of Andrew A. Jones and Aryanna F. Greene, minor children of Tawnya Kelly;

- 119. Gregory Scott Dufour, individually and as father and next friend of Ashley A. DuFour, minor child of Gregory Scott Dufour;
- 120. John D. Wigginton;
- 121. Scott Dunbar;
- 122. Joseph Lusardi;
- 123. John Kudryk;
- 124. Brandon Fravala, individually and as father and next friend of Nicholas James Douglas Fravala, minor child of Brandon Fravala;
- 125. David Fravala;
- 126. Robin Petrarca;
- 127. Michael Stefani, individually and as father and next friend of Jade Bartels, minor child of Michael Stefani;
- 128. Hollie A. Pomfret and Justin Pomfret, individually and as parents and next friends of Alexis Pomfret and Skylar Pomfret, minor children of Hollie A. Pomfret;
- 129. Justin Pomfret and Hollie A. Pomfret, individually and as parents and next friends of Alexis Pomfret and Skylar Pomfret, minor children of Justin Pomfret.
- 130. Al Prudhomme;
- 131. Charlene Prudhomme;
- 132. Robert Harrington;
- 133. Robert A. Barlow;
- 134. Kristen A. Brown;
- 135. Patricia L. Clarke, individually and as mother and next friend of Kira Lynn Clarke, a minor;
- 136. Gennaro Companatico, individually and as father and next friend of Samantha Companatico and Genna Companatico, minors;
- 137. Richard Cook, Sarah Amy Cook as wife of Richard Cook and Richard and Sarah Cook as parents and next friends of their minor child, Cooper R. Cook;
- 138. Richard DelSanto, individually and as parent and next friend of his minor children, Jarred Ferrara and Evan Parr;
- 139. Joseph A. Dibona, Jr.;
- 140. Linda M. Fisher individually, Kevin J. Fisher, individually and Linda M. Fisher and Kevin J. Fisher as parents and next friends of Amber Fisher, a minor;
- 141. Joseph M. Flynn;

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- 142. Lisa C. Hale, individually and as mother and next friend of Kylen Hale, a minor;
- 143. Laurie A. Hussey, individually, John Edward Hussey, Jr., individually and Laurie A Hussey and John Edward Hussey as parents and next friends of Hallie Ann Hussey and Rayanna Leigh Hussey, minors;
- 144. Marc A. Lucier;
- 145. Matthew Mallette, individually, Jessica
  Mallette, individually and Matthew Mallette and
  Jessica Mallette as parents and next friends of
  Joshua Mallette and Cameron Mallette, minors;
- 146. John Mangan, Jr.;
- 147. Frances P. McMurray;
- 148. Christopher J. Nowicki;
- 149. Paul M. Pelletier;
- 150. Michael Perreault;
- 151. Christopher A. Peters;
- 152. Jonathan Petrin;
- 153. Jason Piscopio;
- 154. John A. Rezendes, individually and as father and next friend of Leah M. Rezendes and Cameron M. Rezendes, minors;
- 155. Catherine C. Sagesta individually and as mother and next friend of Christin Cameron and Samantha Cameron, minors;
- 156. George Solitro;
- 157. Gary Stein individually and as father and next friend of Victoria Stein and Joshua Stein, minors;
- 158. Melissa A. Stephenson,
- 159. Ray F. Beauchaine, Jr., and Ray F. Beauchaine, Jr., as father and next friend of Ray F. Beauchaine, III, Christopher R. Beauchaine and Ashley Beauchaine, minor children of Ray Beauchaine, Jr.;
- 160. Julie Belson;
- 161. Kevin Blom;
- 162. Milisa Bump, individually and as mother and next friend of Dereck Bump and Sandra Dunn, minor children of Milisa Bump;
- 163. Jennifer Choquette;
- 164. Nicole Conant;
- 165. Stephanie Conant;
- 166. Arthur J. Conway, III;
- 167. Robert Cushman;

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Shauna Dell, and Claude Richard as husband of 168. Shauna Dell: Claude Richard and Shauna Dell as wife of 169. Claude Richard: 170. Richard Dufour, Jr.; James Dufresne, individually and as father and 171. next friend of James J. Dufresne, Jr. and Bryan Dufresne, minor children of James Dufresne; John Gibbs; 172. Gregory Gray: 173. Grant Hall; 174. 175. Michael Iannone; Adrian Krasinskas; 176. 177. Joseph LoBianco; David McGinn; 178. Deborah Peduzzi individually and Deborah 179. Peduzzi and Robert Peduzzi as parents and next friends of Joseph Peduzzi and Ashley Peduzzi, minors: Dawn Perry, individually and Stephen Perry, as 180. husband of Dawn Perry; Stephen Perry, individually and Dawn Perry, as 181. wife of Stephen Perry; Robin Precourt, and Justina Martin as minor 182. daughter at the time of injury to Robin Precourt; Gina Russo, and Gina Russo, as mother and 183. next friend of Alex Odsen and Nicholas Odsen, minor children of Gina Russo; 184. Milton Servis, II; Derrick Silva; 185. 186. Erik Sippy; David Steets, individually and as father and next 187. friend of David M. Steets, a minor; Raul Vargas and Melanie Vargas, individually 188. and as parents and next friends of Bryan Vargas, a minor: Jennifer Vieira; 189. Andrew S. Richardson, Trustee in Bankruptcy 190.

for Debra Wagner and Brian Wagner, individually, and Debra Wagner and Brian Wagner as parents and next friends of Krystal

Gina M. Gauvin, individually and as parent and

next friend of Shayna S. Gauvin and Joseph

Scott C. Moresco, individually, and in his

Wagner, a minor;

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capacity as natural parent, next friend and guardian of Tatiana Abel;
Mario B. Cardillo individually and Kathleen M.

 Mario B. Cardillo individually and Ka Cardillo as wife of Mario B. Cardillo;

194. Kathleen M. Cardillo, individually, and Mario B. Cardillo as husband of Kathleen M. Cardillo.

195. Tammy M. St. Hilaire;

196. Robert P. Feeney;

197. David D. Brennan, individually and Susan Brennan as wife of David D. Brennan;

198. Robert M. Cripe

- 199. Neil E. Cronin;
- 200. Karen M. Gordon;
- 201. Paul R. Gordon;
- 202. Joseph A. Jones;
- 203. Lee A. Karvonen;
- 204. Theresia M. LaBree;
- 205. Melissa J. Minor, individually and John Minor as husband of Melissa J. Minor;
- 206. Charles A. Oberg;
- 207. Linda A. Ormerod;
- 208. John S. Pinkham;
- 209. Victoria L. Potvin;
- 210. Kerrie A. Rock;
- 211. Timothy J. Rossano;
- 212. Nancy S. Trautz, individually and Chris C. Trautz as husband of Nancy S. Trautz;
- 213. Donovan Williams individually and as parent and next friend of Zachary Williams, Hayley Williams and Dylan Williams;
- 214. Sharon A. Wilson;
- 215. Melanie Fontaine;
- 216. Shawn Lourenco and Mary Lourenco, as Legal Guardian on behalf of Shawn Lourenco's children, Bryan Lourenco, Brett Lourenco and Brad Lourenco;
- 217. Ashlev A. Poland;
- 218. Joseph Cristina;
- 219. William Rancourt;
- 220. Matthew Dussault;
- 221. Paul Bertolo;
- 222. Cynthia A Nobles, individually, and Edward D. Nobles as husband of Cynthia A Nobles;
- 223. Edward D. Nobles, individually, and Cynthia A. Nobles as wife of Edward D. Nobles;
- 224. Donald N. Trudeau, individually, and Roberta

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- Trudeau as wife of Donald N. Trudeau;
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- 226. Erin Pucino, individually and as mother and next friend of Sterling Pucino, her minor child (227 through 270 reserved)

## Plaintiffs,

v.

- Dì. Jeffrey Derderian;
- D2. Michael Derderian;
- D3. DERCO, LLC;
- D4. Howard Julian;
- D5. Triton Realty Limited Partnership;
- D6. Triton Realty, Inc.;
- D7. Raymond Villanova;
- D8. Jack Russell;
- D9. Jack Russell Touring, Inc.;
- D10. Paul Woolnough;
- D11. Manic Music Management, Inc.;
- D12. Knight Records, Inc.;
- D13. Daniel Biechele;
- D14. Anheuser-Busch, Incorporated;
- D15. Anheuser-Busch Companies, Incorporated;
- D16. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc.;
- D17. WHJY, Inc.;
- D18. Clear Channel Broadcasting, Inc.;
- D19. Denis P. Larocque, Fire Inspector;
- D20. Anthony Bettencourt
- D21. Diane DeRuosi, in her capacity as Treasurer of the Town of West Warwick;
- D22. State of Rhode Island;
- D23. Irving J. Owens, Fire Marshal;
- D24. Brian Butler;
- D25. LIN Television Corporation;
- D26. CBS Broadcasting, Inc. d/b/a WPRI Channel 12
- D27. Barry H. Warner;
- D28. Luna Tech, Inc.;
- D29. High Tech Special Effects, Inc.;
- D30. American Foam Corporation;
- D31. Leggett & Platt, Incorporated;
- D32. L&P Financial Services Co.;
- D33. General Foam Corporation;
- D34. GFC Foam, LLC;

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- D35. Foamex LP
- D36. Foamex International Inc.;
- D37. FMXI, Inc.;
- D38. PMC, Inc.;
- D39. PMC Global, Inc.;
- D40. JBL Incorporated f/k/a James B. Lansing Sound, Incorporated d/b/a JBL Professional;
- D41. Essex Insurance Company;
- D42. Multi-State Inspections, Inc.;
- D43. High Caliber Inspections, Inc.;
- D44. Underwriters at Lloyd's, London;
- D45. Gresham & Associates of R.I., Inc.
- D46. Four Seasons Coach Leasing, Inc.,
- D47. through D58. "John Doe" defendants (being unknown defendants who manufactured, distributed, sold or installed non-flame-retardant foam or other defective products in use at The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003, who inspected the premises after installation of the foam but prior to February 20, 2003, who promoted, managed or produced the appearance of Great White at The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003, or who received property from Triton Realty-related persons or entities with intent to hinder, delay or defraud Plaintiffs).

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# COMPLAINT AND JURY DEMAND

#### Introduction

By Pretrial (Case Management) Order #2, entered on May 27, 2003, this Court appointed a Plaintiffs' Steering Committee with Mark Mandell, Esq., and Max Wistow, Esq., as its Co-Chairs and Patrick Jones, Esq., as Vice-Chair. Among the purposes of this appointment were "initiating and coordinating appropriate discovery, including pre-filing discovery [and] coordinating the court filings and arguments before the Court on issues common to all plaintiffs." Pretrial Order #1 (Preliminary Case Management Order), May 5, 2003. In furtherance of those purposes and with the overall goal of judicial economy the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee has prepared the instant Master Complaint.

This complaint seeks monetary damages from those individuals and entities responsible for the conditions and actions which resulted in a fire at The Station nightclub in West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003, which claimed 100 lives and caused injury to several hundred individuals.

### **PARTIES**

#### **Plaintiffs**

1. (a) Plaintiff Albert L. Gray, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of his son, Derek J. Gray, who lived in Dracut, Massachusetts. Derek Gray was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died from injuries sustained in the fire. Albert L. Gray was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Bristol on April 3, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Albert L. Gray, brings this claim as next friend of Jani L. Gray-McGill, a minor child of the decedent, Derek J. Gray.

- 2. Plaintiff Joanne O'Neill, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her son, Nicholas O'Neill, who lived in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Nicholas O'Neill was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died from injuries sustained in the fire. Joanne O'Neill was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court of the City of Pawtucket on April 9, 2003.
- 3. (a) Plaintiff Marie G. Morton, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her husband, Jason R. Morton, who lived in West Greenwich, Rhode Island. Jason Morton was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died from injuries sustained in the fire. Marie G. Morton was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court of the Town of West Greenwich on April 29, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Marie G. Morton, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Jason R. Morton. (c) Plaintiff, Marie G. Morton, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Kaitlin Marie Morton and Ashley Marie Morton, minor children of the decedent, Jason R. Morton.
- 4. Plaintiff Angel O. Amitrano, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her father, Thomas A. Barnett, who lived in West Greenwich, Rhode Island. Thomas Barnett was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Angel Amitrano was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court of the Town of West Greenwich on April 15, 2003.
- 5. (a) Plaintiffs Joanne L. Mitchell and William Mitchell, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of their daughter. Post a M.

Mitchell, who lived in Fall River, Massachusetts. Donna Mitchell was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Joanne and William Mitchell were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Bristol on October 6, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Joanne L. Mitchell, brings claims as guardian and next friend of Brooklyn Belanger and Joslynn Belanger, minor children of the decedent, Donna M. Mitchell.

- 6. (a) Plaintiff Scott J. Vieira, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of his wife, Kelly Lynn Vieira, who lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Kelly Lynn Vieira was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Scott J. Vieira was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of West Warwick on March 21, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Scott J. Vieira, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Kelly Lynn Vieira. (c) Plaintiff, Scott J. Vieira, brings this claim as father and next friend of Crystle Vieira, minor child of the decedent, Kelly Lynn Vieira.
- 7. Plaintiff Patricia Avilez, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her son, Eugene Avilez, who lived in Burlington, Massachusetts. Eugene Avilez was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Patricia Avilez was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Middlesex on June 24, 2003.
- 8. (a) Plaintiff Jennifer L. Young, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her husband, Robert Daniel Young, who lived in Copy Attest

Taunton, Massachusetts. Robert Young was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Jennifer L. Young was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Bristol on August 13, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Jennifer L. Young, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Robert Daniel Young.

- 9. Plaintiff Leonard Angers, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of his daughter, Stacie J. Angers, who lived in Worcester, Massachusetts. Stacie Angers was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Leonard Angers was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Worcester on May 1, 2003.
- 10. Plaintiff Dorothy Marion, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her son, Thomas Frank Marion, Jr., who lived in Westport, Massachusetts. Thomas Frank Marion, Jr. was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Dorothy Marion was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Bristol on June 6, 2003.
- 11. (a) Plaintiff, Yvette Fresolo, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her husband, Michael Fresolo, who lived in Millbury, Massachusetts. Michael Fresolo was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Yvette Fresolo, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Michael

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- Fresolo. (c) Plaintiff, Yvette Fresolo, brings claims as mother and next friend of Maria Fresolo and Emily Fresolo, minor children of the decedent, Michael Fresolo.
- 12. Plaintiff, Heidi Peralta Longley, brings this claim on behalf of AceyTy Longley, minor child and wrongful death beneficiary of the decedent, Ty Longley. Ty Longley was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003, and died of injuries sustained in the fire.
- husband, Mitchell Shubert, and wrongful death beneficiaries of Mitchell Shubert, who lived in Newberry, Florida. Mitchell Shubert was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Katherine Shubert, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Mitchell Shubert. (c) Plaintiff, Katherine Shubert, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Melissa Cara Shubert, minor child of the decedent, Mitchell Shubert. (d) Maryanne Shubert, brings this claim as daughter and beneficiary of deceased, Mitchell Shubert. (e) Plaintiff, Laura Shubert, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Mitchell Shubert. Schubert, Jr., minor child of the decedent, Mitchell Shubert.
- 14. Plaintiff Eileen L. DiBonaventura, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her son, Albert DiBonaventura, who lived in North Dighton, Massachusetts. Albert DiBonaventura was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Eileen DiBonaventura was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Bristol on March 31, 2003.
- 15. (a) Plaintiff, Donna DeBoard, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Daniel Frederickson, who lived in Groton, Connecticut. Daniel

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Frederickson was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Donna DeBoard, brings claims as guardian and next friend of Amanda, Ryan and Amber Frederickson, minor children of the decedent, Daniel Frederickson.

- 16. Plaintiff, Judith Marie Croteau, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her son, Robert J. Croteau, who lived in Fall River, Massachusetts. Mr. Croteau was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire.
- 17. (a) Plaintiffs, Warren L. Baker, III and John J. DeCosta, III, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Mary H. Baker, who lived in Fall River, Massachusetts. Mary Baker was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Warren Baker and John DeCosta were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court for the County of Bristol on June 17, 2004. (b) Plaintiff, John J. DeCosta, III, brings this claim as the father and legal guardian of the persons and estates of Alison M. DeCosta, John R. DeCosta, Scott A. DeCosta and Michael J. DeCosta, the minor children of the decedent Mary H. Baker. (c) Plaintiff, Warren L. Baker, III, brings this claim as surviving spouse of Mary H. Baker.
- 18. Plaintiff, Dorothy E. Bonardi, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her son, William C. Bonardi, III, who lived in Smithfield, Rhode Island. William Bonardi was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of the Copy Attest

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injuries sustained in the fire. Dorothy C. Bonardi was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court for the Town of Smithfield on April 21, 2003.

- 19. (a) Plaintiffs, Denise M. McGregor and Nancy DePasquale, Co-Administratrixes, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Alfred C. Crisostomi, who lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Alfred Crisostomi was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Denise M. McGregor and Nancy DePasquale were appointed Co-Administratrixes of Plaintiff estate by the Probate Court of the City of Warwick on July 30, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Denise M. McGregor, who lives in Cranston, Rhode Island brings this claim on behalf of her minor son, Brandon M. Crisostomi, the minor child of the decedent Alfred C. Crisostomi.
- 20. (a) Plaintiff, Eileen Dunn, surviving spouse of Kevin Dunn, brings this claim on behalf of the wrongful death beneficiaries of Kevin Dunn, who lived in Attleboro,

  Massachusetts. Kevin Dunn was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February

  20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. (b) Eileen Dunn brings this claim as wife of the decedent, Kevin Dunn. (c) Eileen Dunn brings this claim as mother and next friend of Joanna Dunn, minor child of Kevin Dunn.
- 21. (a) Plaintiff Anthony J. Durante, father and next friend of Anthony M. Durante and Matthew P. Durante, brings this claim on behalf of the wrongful death beneficiaries of Lori K. Durante who lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Lori K. Durante was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Anthony J. Durante, brings this claim as father and next friend of Matthew P. Durante, minor child of the decedent,

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Lori K. Durante. (c) Plaintiff, Anthony J. Durante, brings this claim as father and next friend of Anthony M. Durante, minor child of the decedent, Lori K. Durante.

- 22. (a) Plaintiff, Lori Ann Gooden, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her husband, James F. Gooden, who lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. James F. Gooden was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Lori Ann Gooden was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court for the City of Cranston on May 12, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Lori Ann Gooden, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, James F. Gooden.
- 23. Plaintiff, Claire H. Bruyere, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her daughter, Bonnie L. Hamelin, who lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Bonnie L. Hamelin was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Claire H. Bruyere was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court of the City of Warwick on February 9, 2004.
- 24. Plaintiff, John M. Hoban, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of his son, Andrew R. Hoban, who lived in North Kingstown, Rhode Island. Andrew R. Hoban was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. John M. Hoban was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court of the Town of North Kingstown on May 14, 2003.
- 25. Plaintiff, Paula A. McLaughlin, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her brother, Michael B. Hoogasian, who lived in Copy Attest

Cranston, Rhode Island. Michael B. Hoogasian was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Paula A. McLaughlin was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court of the City of Cranston on March 21, 2003.

- 26. Plaintiff, Paula A. McLaughlin, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her sister-in-law, Sandy L. Hoogasian, who lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Sandy L. Hoogasian was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Paula A. McLaughlin was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court of the City of Cranston on March 21, 2003.
- 27. (a) Plaintiff, Maria Latulippe, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her husband, Dale L. Latulippe, who lived in Carver, Massachusetts. Dale L. Latulippe was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Maria Latulippe was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court for the County of Plymouth on March 27, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Maria Latulippe, brings this claim as mother and legal guardian of the person and estate of Dustin Tyler Latulippe, the minor child of the decedent, Dale L. Latulippe. (c) ) Plaintiff, Maria Latulippe, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Dale L. Latulippe.
- 28. Plaintiffs, John A. Longiaru and Sus Longiaru, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of their son, John M. Longiaru, who lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. John M. Longiaru was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and

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died of injuries sustained in the fire. John and Sus Longiaru were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court of the Town of Johnson on April 8, 2003.

- 29. Plaintiffs, Sarah R. Mancini and Anthony B. Mancini, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of their son, Keith A. Mancini, who lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Keith A. Mancini was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Sarah R. Mancini and Anthony B. Mancini were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court of the City of Cranston on March 31, 2004.
- 30. Plaintiff, Barbara Magness, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her son, Steven R. Mancini, who lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. Steven R. Mancini was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Barbara Magness was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court of the Town of Johnston on July 3, 2003.
- 31. Plaintiff, Paul A. Morin, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of his son, Ryan M. Morin, who lived in Thompson, Connecticut. Ryan M. Morin was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Paul A. Morin was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff estate by the State of Connecticut, Court of Probate on February 24, 2003.
- 32. (a) Plaintiffs, Roderick Prouty and Nancy A. Lee, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of their son, Christopher Prouty, rue Copy Attest

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who lived in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Christopher Prouty was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Roderick Prouty and Nancy A. Lee were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff estate by the Probate Court of the City of Pawtucket on December 18, 2003. (b) Plaintiff Paula Woodcock brings this claim as mother and next friend of Makayla Woodcock, minor child of the decedent, Christopher Prouty.

- 33. (a) Plaintiff, Susan Sylvia, Administratrix brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Kevin Anderson, who lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Kevin Anderson was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Susan Sylvia was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the City of Warwick on October 16, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Melinda Bloomingburgh, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Kevin Gage, minor child of the decedent, Kevin Anderson.
- 34. (a) Plaintiff, Ray F. Beauchaine, Sr., Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Laureen Beauchaine, who lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Laureen Beauchaine was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Ray F. Beauchaine, Sr. was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of West Warwick on March 24, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Ray Beauchaine, Jr., brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Laureen Beauchaine. (c) Plaintiff, Ray Beauchaine, Jr., brings this claim as father and next friend of Ray F. Beauchaine, III, Christopher R. Beauchaine and Ashley Beauchaine, minor children of the decedent, Laureen Beauchaine.

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- 35. (a) Plaintiffs, Sally Blom and Rolland Blom, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Steven Blom, who lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Steven Blom was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Sally Blom and Rolland Blom were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the City of Cranston on August 11, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Sharon Colpitts, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Steven Blom, Jr., a minor child of the decedent, Steven Blom.
- 36. (a) Plaintiff, Catherine Cabral, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Richard Cabral, Jr., who lived in Attleboro, Massachusetts. Richard Cabral, Jr., was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Catherine Cabral was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Bristol Division. (b) Plaintiff, Catherine Cabral, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Richard Cabral, Jr. (c) Plaintiff, Catherine Cabral, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Christine Cabral and Richard Cabral, III, minor children of the decedent, Richard Cabral, Jr.
- 37. Plaintiff, William H. Cartwright, Jr., Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of William W. Cartwright, who lived in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. William W. Cartwright was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. William H. Cartwright, Jr. was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the City of Pawtucket on April 11, 2003.

- 38. Plaintiffs, Katherine Cordier and Ronald J. Cordier, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Michael Cordier, who lived in Westerly, Rhode Island. Michael Cordier was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Katherine Cordier and Ronald J. Cordier were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of Westerly on April 23, 2003.
- 39. Plaintiff, Mark D'Andrea, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Lisa D'Andrea, who lived in Barrington, Rhode Island. Lisa D'Andrea was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Mark D'Andrea was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of Barrington on April 12, 2004.
- 40. (a) Plaintiff, Peter M. DiRienzo, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Christina DiRienzo, who lived in Plymouth, Massachusetts. Christina DiRienzo was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Peter M. DiRienzo was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Plymouth Division on June 30, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Peter M. DiRienzo, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Christina DiRienzo. (c) Plaintiff, Peter M. DiRienzo, brings this claim as father and next friend of Beau DiRienzo, minor child of the decedent, Christina DiRienzo. (d) Peter M. DiRienzo, Jr., a minor at the time of his mother's death, brings this claim as son of the decedent, Christina DiRienzo.

- 41. (a) Plaintiff, Lawrence E. Fick, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Charline E. Fick, who lived in Central Falls, Rhode Island. Charline E. Fick was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Lawrence E. Fick was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the City of Central Falls on August 8, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Lawrence E. Fick, brings this claim as father and next friend of Samantha Fick and William Fick, minor children of the decedent, Charline E. Fick.
- 42. Plaintiff, Timothy J. Fleming, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Thomas J. Fleming, who lived in Worcester, Massachusetts. Thomas J. Fleming was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Timothy J. Fleming was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Worcester Division on June 27, 2003.
- 43. (a) Plaintiff, Dean DePietro, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Rachel K. Florio-DePietro, who lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Rachel K. Florio-DePietro was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Dean DePietro was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of Coventry on June 3, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Dean DePietro, brings this claim as father and next friend of Adrian DePietro, a minor child of the decedent, Rachel K. Florio-DePietro.

- 44. Plaintiff, James C. Gahan, III, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of James C. Gahan, IV, who lived in Falmouth, Massachusetts. James C. Gahan, IV was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. James C. Gahan, III, was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Barnstable Division on March 6, 2003.
- 45. (a) Plaintiff, Sandra L. Greene, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Scott C. Greene, who lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Scott C. Greene was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Sandra L. Greene was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the City of Warwick on May 12, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Sandra L. Greene, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Scott C. Greene.
- 46. (a) Plaintiff, Bruce G. Pollock, Esq., Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Scott S. Griffith, who lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Scott S. Griffith was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Bruce G. Pollock, Esq. was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of West Warwick on February 4, 2004. (b) Plaintiff, Nancene Cohen, brings this claim as guardian of the Estate and next friend of Kacie L. Griffith, a minor child of the decedent, Scott S. Griffith.
- 47. Plaintiff, Bonnie A. Hoisington, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Abbie L. Hoisington, who lived in Cranston, Rhode

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Island. Abbie L. Hoisington was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Bonnie A. Hoisington was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the City of Cranston on April 10, 2003.

- 48. (a) Plaintiff, Carlton L. Howorth, Jr., Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Carlton L. Howorth, III, who lived in Norton, Massachusetts. Carlton L. Howorth, III was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Carlton L. Howorth, Jr. was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Bristol Division on March 21, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Karen E. Howorth, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Elizabeth Howorth, a minor child of the decedent, Carlton L. Howorth, III.
- 49. Plaintiff, George Phelan, Esq., Special Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Lisa Kelly, who lived in Swansea, Massachusetts. Lisa Kelly was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. George Phelan, Esq. was appointed Special Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Bristol on February 24, 2004.
- 50. (a) Plaintiff, Evelyn L. King, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Tracy F. King, who lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Tracy F. King was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Evelyn L. King was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the City of

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Warwick on June 16, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Evelyn L. King, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Tracy F. King. (c) Plaintiff, Evelyn L. King, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Joshua King and Jacob King, minor children of the decedent, Tracy F. King. (d) Plaintiff Rosilyn Guy brings this claim as mother and next friend of Jordan King, minor child of the decedent, Tracy F. King.

- 51. Plaintiffs, Barbara A. Kulz and George A. Kulz, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Michael J. Kulz, who lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Michael J. Kulz was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Barbara A. Kulz and George A. Kulz were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the City of Warwick on June 12, 2003.
- Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Keith R. Lapierre, who lived in Worcester,

  Massachusetts. Keith R. Lapierre was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on

  Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries

  sustained in the fire. Tammy Lapierre was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the

  Probate Court for the Worcester Division on June 17, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Tammy Lapierre,

  brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Keith R. Lapierre. (c) Plaintiff, Tammy

  Lapierre, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Ryan S. Lapierre and Sarah R. Lapierre,

  minor children of the decedent, Keith R. Lapierre.
- 53. Plaintiff, Judith Carver, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Kristen L. McQuarrie, who lived in Ledyard, Connecticut. Kristen L. McQuarrie was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett

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Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Judith Carver was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the District of Ledyard on September 16, 2003.

- 54. Plaintiffs, Richard Moreau and Jean Moreau, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Leigh Ann Moreau, who lived in Providence, Rhode Island. Leigh Ann. Moreau was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Richard Moreau and Jean Moreau were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the City of Providence on April 30, 2003.
- 55. Plaintiff, Michael Reno, Esq., Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Beth Mosczynski, who lived in Millbury, Massachusetts. Beth Mosczynski was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Michael Reno was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Worcester Division
- 56. (a) Plaintiff, Richard H. Rakoski, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Theresa L. Rakoski, who lived in Taunton, Massachusetts. Theresa L. Rakoski was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Richard H. Rakoski was appointed Administrator of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Bristol on June 26, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Richard H. Rakoski, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Theresa L. Rakoski.

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- 57. Plaintiff, Judy O'Brien, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Robert L. Reisner, III, who lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Robert L. Reisner, III was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Judy O'Brien was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of Coventry on May 7, 2003.
- 58. Plaintiff, John J. Shaw, Temporary Executor, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Rebecca Shaw, who lived in Sudbury, Massachusetts. Rebecca Shaw was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. John J. Shaw was appointed Temporary Executor of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Middlesex Division
- 59. Plaintiff, Veda Kerr, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Victor L. Stark, who lived in Mashpee, Massachusetts. Victor L. Stark was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Veda Kerr was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Barnstable Division on June 11, 2003.
- 60. (a) Plaintiffs, Zachary S. Suffoletto and Diana L. Shaughnessy, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Benjamin J. Suffoletto, Jr., who lived in Glocester, Rhode Island. Benjamin J. Suffoletto, Jr. was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Zachary S. Suffoletto and

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- Diana L. Shaughnessy were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of Glocester on March 17, 2003. (b) Plaintiffs, Zachary S. Suffoletto and Diana L. Shaughnessy, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Linda D. Suffoletto, bring this claim on behalf of Linda D. Suffoletto as surviving spouse of the decedent, Benjamin J. Suffoletto, Jr.
- Plaintiffs, Zachary S. Suffoletto and Diana L. Shaughnessy, Co-Administrators, 61. bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Linda D. Suffoletto, who lived in Glocester, Rhode Island. Linda D. Suffoletto was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Zachary S. Suffoletto and Diana L. Shaughnessy were appointed Co-Administrators of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of Glocester on March 17, 2003.
- Plaintiff, Honorina Washburn, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the 62. Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Kevin R. Washburn, who lived in Franklin, Massachusetts. Kevin R. Washburn was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Honorina Washburn was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Norfolk Division on March 28, 2003.
- Plaintiff, Cheryl Haines, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate 63. and wrongful death beneficiaries of Everett T. Woodmansee, III, who lived in Charlestown, Rhode Island. Everett T. Woodmansee, III was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Cheryl Haines was appointed Administratrix of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the Town of Charlestown on May 6, 2003.

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- 64. (a) Plaintiff Melinda J. Darby, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her husband, Matthew P. Darby, who lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Matthew P. Darby was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Melinda J. Darby was appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Matthew P. Darby by the Probate Court for the Town of Coventry, Rhode Island on July 24, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Melinda J. Darby, brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Matthew P. Darby. (c) Plaintiff, Melinda J. Darby, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Jessica L. Darby and Sarah M. Darby, minor children of the decedent, Matthew P. Darby.
- 65. (a) Plaintiff Susan W. Romanoff, Executrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her daughter, Tracey L. Romanoff, who lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Tracey L. Romanoff was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Susan W. Romanoff was appointed Executrix of the Estate of Tracey L. Romanoff by the Probate Court for the Town of Coventry, Rhode Island on August 28, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Jordan Blasbalg, brings this claim on behalf of his two minor children, Joshua M. Blasbalg, and Lindsey N. Blasbalg, the minor children of the decedent Tracey L. Romanoff.
- 66. (a) Plaintiff, Mark P. Hyer, Sr., brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of his brother, Eric J. Hyer, who lived in Scituate, Rhode Island. Eric J. Hyer was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Mark P.

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Hyer, Sr., was appointed Administrator of the Estate of Eric J. Hyer by the Probate Court for the Town of Scituate, Rhode Island on May 14, 2003.

- Plaintiff, Annmarie Swidwa, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the 67. Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her daughter, Bridget M. Sanetti, who lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Bridget M. Sanetti was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Annmarie Swidwa was appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Bridget M. Sanetti by the Probate Court for the Town of Coventry, Rhode Island on October 7, 2003.
- (a) Plaintiff Stephen A. Gillett, Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the 68. Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Laura L. Gillett, who lived in Pembroke, Massachusetts. Laura L. Gillett was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Stephen A. Gillett was appointed Administrator of the Plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court for the County of Plymouth, Massachusetts on April 2, 2003. (b) Plaintiff, Stephen A. Gillett brings this claim as father, next friend and permanent legal guardian of Jake T. Gillett and Jared J. Gillett, minor children of the decedent, Laura L. Gillett.
- Plaintiff Suzanne Fox, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate 69. and wrongful death beneficiaries of Jeffrey Wood Martin. Jeffrey Wood Martin lived in Melrose, Massachusetts. Jeffrey Wood Martin was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire.

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- Plaintiff Ellen-Marie Stowers, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the 70. Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Jennifer L. Stowers, who lived in South Boston, Massachusetts. Jennifer L. Stowers was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, RI, on February 20, 2003 and sustained injuries in the fire which set in motion a course of events which led to her death.
- Plaintiff, Sharon Eaton, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate 71. and wrongful death beneficiaries of her son, Edward B. Corbett, III. Edward B. Corbett, III was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Sharon Eaton was appointed Administratrix of the Estate by the West Warwick Probate Court.
- (a) Plaintiff, Patricia Belanger, Executrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate *7*2. and wrongful death beneficiaries of her daughter, Dina A. DeMaio, who lived in West Warwick. Dina A. DeMaio was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Patricia Belanger was appointed Executrix of the Estate by the West Warwick Probate Court. (b) Plaintiff, Steven Beardsworth, brings this claim on behalf of Justin Perry DeMaio, minor child of the decedent Dina A. DeMaio, having been duly appointed temporary guardian by the West Warwick Probate Court on June 16, 2003.
- Plaintiff, Robert J. Johnson, Sr., Administrator, brings this claim on behalf of the 73. Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of his son, Derek B. Johnson. Derek Johnson was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Robert J. Johnson, Sr. was appointed Administrator of the estate on March 31, 2003 by the West Warwick Probate Court.

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- 74. Plaintiff, Jacqueline Jacavone, Administratrix, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of her daughter, Andrea L. Jacavone-Mancini. Andrea L. Jacavone-Mancini was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Jacqueline Jacavone was appointed Administratrix of the estate on June 13, 2003 by the Johnston Probate Court.
- 75. Plaintiffs, Leo Smith and Doris Smith, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of their son, Dennis J. Smith. Dennis J. Smith was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Leo and Doris Smith were appointed Co-Administrators of the estate on May 15, 2003 by the Pawtucket Probate Court.
- 76. (a) Plaintiff, Korina Arruda, Co-Administrator of the Estate of Christopher G. Arruda, brings this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Christopher G. Arruda, who lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Christopher G. Arruda was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Korina Arruda and Steven A. Minicucci were appointed Co-Administrators of the Estate of Christopher G. Arruda by the Coventry Probate Court on April 24, 2003. (b) Korina Arruda brings this claim as surviving spouse of the decedent, Christopher G. Arruda.
- 77. Plaintiffs, Gerard W. Fontaine and Rosanna C. Fontaine, Co-Administrators, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Mark A. Fontaine who lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. Mark A. Fontaine was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Gerard W. Fontaine and Rosanna C. Fontaine were appointed Co-Administrators of the Plaintiff estate by the Johnston Probate Court on August 26, 2003.

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- Plaintiffs, John J. Libera and Joanne T. Libera, Co-Administrators, bring this 78. claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Stephen Matthew Libera who lived in North Kingstown, Rhode Island. Stephen Matthew Libera was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. John J. Libera and Joanne T. Libera were appointed Co-Administrators of the Estate of Stephen Matthew Libera by the North Kingstown Probate Court on April 2, 2004.
- Plaintiffs, Edward C. Ervanian and Pauline B. Ervanian, bring this claim on 79. behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Edward E. Ervanian, who lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Edward E. Ervanian was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Edward C. Ervanian was appointed Administrator of the Plaintiff's estate by the Cranston Probate Court on April 10, 2003.
- Plaintiff Kathleen Sullivan is an individual who at times material hereto lived in 80. Swansea, Massachusetts. Ms. Sullivan was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- (a) Plaintiff Scott J. Vieira brings this claim as an individual who at all times 81. material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Scott J. Vieira was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Scott J. Vieira brings this claim as father and next friend of Crystle Vieira, his minor child.
- Plaintiff Susan H. Chamberlin, is an individual who at times material hereto lived 82. in Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Chamberlin was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.

- 83. (a) Plaintiff, John F. Van Deusen, III, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Carver, Massachusetts. Mr. Van Deusen was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, John F. Van Deusen III, brings this claim as father and next friend of his minor children, John F. Van Deusen IV and Dylan Van Deusen.
- 84. Plaintiff, Robert J. Luxton, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in North Easton, Massachusetts. Mr. Luxton was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 85. (a) Plaintiff, Elizabeth Arruda, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Westport, Massachusetts. Ms. Arruda was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Elizabeth Arruda, brings this claim as mother and next friend of her minor child, Zoey Retamoza.
- 86. Plaintiff, Robert W. Rager, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Kent, Ohio. Mr. Rager was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 87. (a) Plaintiff, Joseph K. Kinan, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Canton, Massachusetts. Mr. Kinan was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiffs, Joseph K. Kinan and Maureen Sullivan, bring this claim as parents and next friends of their minor child, Kaitlin E. Sullivan.
- 88. (a) Plaintiff, John F. Fairbairn, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Brockton, Massachusetts. Mr. Fairbairn was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, John F. Fairbairn,

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brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children, John Fairbairn and Ariana Fairbairn.

- 89. (a) Plaintiff, Andrea F. Fairbairn, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Brockton, Massachusetts. Ms. Fairbairn was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Andrea F. Fairbairn, brings claims as mother and next friend of her minor children, John Fairbairn, Ariana Fairbairn, Amanda Melendez Durfee and Christopher Melendez Durfee.
- 90. (a) Plaintiff, Jose Roberto Demos, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Lowell, Massachusetts. Mr. Demos was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Jose Roberto Demos, brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children, Vanessa Santos Demos and Samuel Santos Demos.
- 91. (a) Plaintiff, Roberta O'Melia, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Ms. O'Melia was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Roberta O'Melia, brings claims as mother and next friend of her minor children, Brendan O'Melia and Christian O'Melia.
- 92. (a) Plaintiff, Fredrick P. Vallante, Jr., is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Providence, Rhode Island. Mr. Vallante was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Fredrick P. Vallante, Jr., brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children, Caitlyn Vallante and Courtney Vallante.
- 93. (a) Plaintiff, Kerrie-Lynn Beers, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Beers was lawfully on the premises of The Station rue Copy Attest

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nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Kerrie-Lynn Beers, brings this claim as mother and next friend of her minor child, Jeremy T. Beers.

- Plaintiff, Francis J. Canillas, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in 94. Everett, Massachusetts. Mr. Canillas was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, David Ciccone, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in 95. Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Ciccone was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Christopher J. Travis, is an individual who at times material hereto lived 96. in Lakeville, Massachusetts. Mr. Travis was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- (a) Plaintiff, Jon R. Schmidt, is an individual who at times material hereto lived 97. in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Schmidt was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Jon R. Schmidt, brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children, Ryan Schmidt and Evan Schmidt.
- (a) Plaintiff, David B. MacDonald, is an individual who at times material hereto 98. lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. Mr. MacDonald was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, David B. MacDonald, brings this claim as father and next friend of his minor child, David B. MacDonald, Jr.
- Plaintiff, Paul du Fossé, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in 99. Kennebunkport, Maine. Mr. du Fossé was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. rue Copy Attest

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- 100. (a) Plaintiff, John R. Arpin, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Arpin was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, John R. Arpin, brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children, Ryan Arpin and Matthew Arpin.
- 101. Plaintiff, Paula Gould, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Gould was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 102. (a) Plaintiff, Kevin J. Beese, Sr. is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Mr. Beese was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Kevin J. Beese, Sr. brings this claim as father and next friend of his minor children, Taylor Beese, Brittany Beese and Kevin Beese, Jr.
- 103. Plaintiff, Shaun O'Donnell, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Newport, Rhode Island. Mr. O'Donnell was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 104. Plaintiff, Brian Loftus, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Loftus was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 105. (a) Plaintiff, Christopher Costa, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Hope Valley, Rhode Island. Mr. Costa was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Christopher Costa, brings this claim as father and next friend of his minor child, Leah Elizabeth Costa Turck.

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- 106. (a) Plaintiff, Georgette Giroux-Brown, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Ms. Giroux-Brown was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Georgette Giroux-Brown, brings this claim as mother and next friend of her minor child, Ben Giroux-Brown.
- 107. Plaintiff, Stephanie Zannella, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in North Providence, Rhode Island. Ms. Zannella was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 108. (a) Plaintiff, Roberta J. Prete, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Ms. Prete was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Roberta J. Prete, brings this claim as mother and next friend of her minor child, Michael Falco.
- 109. (a) Plaintiff, Catherine Randall, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Lincoln, Rhode Island. Ms. Randall was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Catherine Randall, brings claims as mother and next friend of her minor children, Douglas Randall and Meagan Randall.
- 110. (a) Plaintiff, Edward Pezzelli, Jr., is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Pascoag, Rhode Island. Mr. Pezzelli was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Edward Pezzelli, Jr., brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children, Edward Pezzelli III and Hannah Pezzelli.

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- 111. (a) Plaintiff, Paul Pezzelli, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Lincoln, Rhode Island. Mr. Pezzelli was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Paul Pezzelli, brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children, Megan Pezzelli and Kyle Pezzelli.
- 112. (a) Plaintiff, Joseph P. Barber, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Barber was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Joseph P. Barber, brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children, Max Leili and Brandon Tully.
- 113. (a) Plaintiff, Irina M. Gershelis, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Gershelis was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Irina M. Gershelis, brings claims as mother and next friend of her minor children, Brentin St. Jean and Colner St. Jean.
- 114. (a) Plaintiff, Rodney J. Gaumitz, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Gaumitz was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Rodney J. Gaumitz, brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children, Tyler Gaumitz and Collin Gaumitz.
- 115. Plaintiff, Donna Reis, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in North Providence, Rhode Island. Ms. Reis was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.

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- 116. Plaintiff, Ronald S. Schoepfer, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Mr. Schoepfer was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 117. Plaintiff, Richard J. Grace, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Mr. Grace was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 118. (a) Plaintiff, Tawnya Kelly, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Ms. Kelly was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Tawnya Kelly, brings claims as mother and next friend of her minor children, Andrew A. Jones and Aryanna F. Greene.
- 119. (a) Plaintiff, Gregory Scott Dufour, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Mr. Dufour was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Gregory Scott Dufour, brings this claim as father and next friend of his minor child, Ashley A. Dufour.
- 120. Plaintiff, John D. Wigginton, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Uxbridge, Massachusetts. Mr. Wigginton was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 121. Plaintiff, Scott Dunbar, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Woburn, Massachusetts. Mr. Dunbar was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 122. Plaintiff, Joseph Lusardi, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Easton, Massachusetts. Mr. Lusardi was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

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- 123. Plaintiff, John Kudryk, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Easton, Massachusetts. Mr. Kudryk was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 124. (a) Plaintiff, Brandon Fravala, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Fravala was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Brandon Fravala, brings this claim as father and next friend of his minor child, Nicholas James Douglas Fravala.
- 125. Plaintiff, David Fravala, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Fravala was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 126. Plaintiff, Robin Petrarca, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Petrarca was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 127. (a) Plaintiff, Michael Stefani, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in North Kingstown, Rhode Island. Mr. Stefani was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Michael Stefani, brings this claim as father and next friend of his minor child, Jade Bartels.
- lived in Greene, Rhode Island. Ms. Pomfret was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Justin Pomfret rue Copy Attest brings this claim as husband of Hollie A. Pomfret. (c) Plaintiffs Justin Pomfret and Hollie A. Pomfret bring claims as parents and next friends of Alexis Pomfret and Skylar Pomfret, mind Counties of Clerk of Superior Counties of Providence & Bristol

- 129. (a) Plaintiff, Justin Pomfret, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Greene, Rhode Island. Mr. Pomfret was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Hollie A. Pomfret brings this claim as wife of Justin Pomfret. (c) Plaintiffs, Justin Pomfret and his wife, Hollie A. Pomfret, bring claims as parents and next friends of Alexis Pomfret and Skylar Pomfret, minor children of Justin Pomfret.
- 130. Plaintiff, Al Prudhomme, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Mr. Prudhomme was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 131. Plaintiff, Charlene Prudhomme, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Ms. Prudhomme was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 132. Plaintiff, Robert Harrington, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Mr. Harrington was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 133. Plaintiff, Robert A. Barlow, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Fall River, Massachusetts. Mr. Barlow was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 134. Plaintiff, Kristin A. Brown, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Kingstown, Rhode Island. Ms. Brown was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 135. (a) Plaintiff, Patricia L. Clarke, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Ms. Clarke was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub

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on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Patricia L. Clarke, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Kira Lynn Clarke, her minor daughter.

- 136. (a) Plaintiff, Gennaro Companatico, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Companatico was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Gennaro Companatico, brings this claim as father and next friend of Samantha Companatico and Genna Companatico, his minor children.
- 137. (a) Plaintiff, Richard Cook, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Westerly, Rhode Island. Mr. Cook was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Sarah Amy Cook, brings this claim as wife of Richard Cook. (c) Plaintiffs Richard Cook and Sarah Amy Cook bring this claim as parents and next friends of their minor child, Cooper R. Cook.
- 138. (a) Plaintiff, Richard DelSanto, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. DelSanto was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Richard Delsanto brings this claim as parent and next friend of his minor children, Jarred Ferrara and Evan Parr.
- 139. Plaintiff, Joseph A. DiBona, Jr., is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. DiBona was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 140. (a) Plaintiff, Linda M. Fisher, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Mrs. Fisher was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Linda M. Fisher, and her

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husband, Kevin J. Fisher, bring this claim as parents and next friends of Amber Fisher, their daughter, a minor. (c) Plaintiff, Kevin J. Fisher, brings this claim as husband of Linda M. Fisher.

- 141. Plaintiff, Joseph M. Flynn, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Webster, Massachusetts. Mr. Flynn was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 142. (a) Plaintiff, Lisa C. Hale, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Hope Valley, Rhode Island. Ms. Hale was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Lisa C. Hale, brings a claim as mother and next friend of her minor child, Kylen Hale.
- 143. (a) Plaintiff, Laurie A. Hussey, in an individual who at times material hereto lived in North Kingstown, Rhode Island. Mrs. Hussey was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiffs, Laurie A. Hussey and John Edward Hussey, Jr., bring this claim as parents and next friends of their minor children, Hallie Ann Hussey and Rayanna Leigh Hussey. (c) Plaintiff, John Edward Hussey, Jr., brings this claim as husband of Laurie A. Hussey.
- 144. Plaintiff, Marc A. Lucier, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Danielson, Connecticut. Mr. Lucier was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 145. (a) Plaintiff, Matthew Mallette, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Webster, Massachusetts. Mr. Mallette was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiffs, Matthew Mallette and Jessica Mallette, bring this claim as parents and next friends of their minor children,

Joshua Mallette and Cameron Mallette. (c) Plaintiff, Jessica Mallette, brings this claim as wife of Matthew Mallette.

Plaintiff, John Mangan, Jr., is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Mr. Mangan was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

Plaintiff, Frances P. McMurray, is an individual who at times material hereto 147. lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Ms. McMurray was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.

Plaintiff, Christopher J. Nowicki, is an individual who at times material hereto 148. lived in East Greenwich, Rhode Island. Mr. Nowicki was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

Plaintiff, Paul M. Pelletier, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Lincoln, Rhode Island. Mr. Pelletier was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

Plaintiff, Michael Perreault, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in 150. Coventry, Rhode Island. Mr. Perreault was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

Plaintiff, Christopher A. Peters, is an individual who at times material hereto lived 151. in Peabody, Massachusetts. Mr. Peters was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

Plaintiff, Jonathan Petrin, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Albion, Rhode Island. Mr. Petrin was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

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- 153. Plaintiff, Jason Piscopio, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Piscopio was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 154. (a) Plaintiff, John A. Rezendes, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Jamestown, Rhode Island. Mr. Rezendes was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, John A. Rezendes, brings this claim as father and next friend of Leah M. Rezendes and Cameron M. Rezendes, his minor children
- 155. (a) Plaintiff, Catherine C. Sagesta, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Taunton, Massachusetts. Ms. Sagesta was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Catherine C. Sagesta, brings this claim as mother and next friend of Christin Cameron and Samantha Cameron, her minor children.
- 156. Plaintiff, George Solitro, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Solitro was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 157. (a) Plaintiff, Gary Stein, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Norton, Massachusetts. Mr. Stein was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Gary Stein, brings this claim as father and next friend of Victoria Stein and Joshua Stein, his minor children.
- 158. Plaintiff, Melissa A. Stephenson, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Ms. Stephenson was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.

- 159. (a) Plaintiff, Ray F. Beauchaine, Jr., is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Ray F. Beauchaine, Jr. was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Ray Beauchaine, Jr., brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children Ray F. Beauchaine, III, Christopher R. Beauchaine and Ashley Beauchaine.
- 160. Plaintiff, Julie Belson, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Danvers, Massachusetts. Julie Belson was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 161. Plaintiff, Kevin Blom, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Kevin Blom was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 162. (a) Plaintiff, Milisa Bump, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Worcester, Massachusetts. Milisa Bump was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Milisa Bump, brings claims as mother and next friend of her minor children Dereck Bump and Sandra Dunn.
- 163. Plaintiff, Jennifer Choquette, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in South Dartmouth, Massachusetts. Jennifer Choquette was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 164. Plaintiff, Nicole Conant, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Medford, Massachusetts. Nicole Conant was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.

- 165. Plaintiff, Stephanie Conant, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Medford, Massachusetts. Stephanie Conant was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 166. Plaintiff, Arthur J. Conway, III, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Plymouth, Massachusetts. Arthur J. Conway, III, was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 167. Plaintiff, Robert Cushman, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Robert Cushman was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 168. (a) Plaintiff, Shauna Dell, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Shauna Dell was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Claude Richard, brings this claim as husband of Shauna Dell.
- 169. (a) Plaintiff, Claude Richard, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Claude Richard was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Shauna Dell, brings this claim as wife of Claude Richard.
- 170. Plaintiff, Richard Dufour, Jr., is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Richard Dufour, Jr. was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 171. (a) Plaintiff, James Dufresne, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Oxford, Massachusetts. James Dufresne was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, James Dufresne,

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brings claims as father and next friend of his minor children James J. Dufresne, Jr. and Bryan Dufresne.

- Plaintiff, John Gibbs, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Attleboro, Massachusetts. John Gibbs was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Gregory Gray, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Pawcatuck, Connecticut. Gregory Gray was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Grant Hall, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Saunderstown, Rhode Island. Grant Hall was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Michael Iannone, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. Michael Iannone was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Adrian Krasinskas, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived 176. in Oxford, Massachusetts. Adrian Krasinskas was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Joseph LoBianco, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived 177. in North Providence, Rhode Island. Joseph LoBianco was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, David McGinn, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. David McGinn was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire..

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- 179. (a) Plaintiff, Deborah Peduzzi, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Sutton, Massachusetts. Deborah Peduzzi was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiffs, Deborah Peduzzi and Robert Peduzzi, bring these claims as parents and next friends of Joseph Peduzzi and Ashley Peduzzi, their minor children.
- 180. (a) Plaintiff, Dawn Perry, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. Dawn Perry was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Stephen Perry, brings this claim as husband of Dawn Perry.
- 181. (a) Plaintiff, Stephen Perry, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. Stephen Perry was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Dawn Perry, brings this claim as wife of Stephen Perry.
- 182. (a) Plaintiff, Robin Precourt, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Lincoln, Rhode Island. Robin Precourt was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Justina Martin, brings this claim as daughter and beneficiary of Robin Precourt.
- 183. (a) Plaintiff, Gina Russo, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Gina Russo was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Gina Russo, brings claims as mother and next friend of her minor children Alex Odsen and Nicholas Odsen.

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- 184. Plaintiff, Milton Servis, II, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Mashpee, Massachusetts. Milton Servis, II was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 185. Plaintiff, Derrick Silva, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Fairhaven, Massachusetts. Derrick Silva was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 186. Plaintiff, Erik Sippy, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Erik Sippy was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 187. (a) Plaintiff, David Steets, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. David Steets was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, David Steets, brings this claim as father and next friend of his minor child, David M. Steets.
- 188. (a) Plaintiff, Raul Vargas, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. Raul Vargas was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Melanie Vargas, brings this claim as wife of Raul Vargas. (c) Plaintiffs, Raul Vargas, and his wife, Melanie Vargas, bring this claim as parents and next friends of Bryan Vargas, their son, a minor.
- 189. Plaintiff, Jennifer Vieira, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Jennifer Vieira was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 190. (a) Plaintiff, Andrew S. Richardson, Trustee in Bankruptcy, for Debra and Brian Wagner, brings this claim on behalf of Debra Wagner, who is an individual who at all times

material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Debra Wagner was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. Andrew S. Richardson was named Trustee in Bankruptcy for Debra and Brian Wagner by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Rhode Island on February 3, 2004 (b) Plaintiff, Andrew S. Richardson, Trustee in Bankruptcy, for Debra and Brian Wagner, brings this claim on behalf of Brian Wagner, as husband of Debra Wagner. (c) Plaintiffs, Debra Wagner, and her husband, Brian Wagner, bring this claim as parents and next friends of Krystal Wagner, their daughter, a minor.

- 191. (a) Plaintiff, Gina M. Gauvin, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. Gina M. Gauvin was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Gina M. Gauvin, brings claims as mother and next friend of her minor children Shayna S. Gauvin and Joseph Jordan.
- 192. (a) Plaintiff, Scott C. Moresco, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Scott C. Moresco was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Scott C. Moresco, brings this claim as father and next friend of Tatiana Abel, his minor child.
- 193. (a) Plaintiff, Mario B. Cardillo, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Providence, Rhode Island. Mario B. Cardillo was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Kathleen M. Cardillo, brings this claim as wife of Mario B. Cardillo.

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- (a) Plaintiff, Kathleen M. Cardillo, is an individual who at times material hereto 194. lived in Providence, Rhode Island. Kathleen M. Cardillo was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Mario B. Cardillo, brings this claim as husband of Kathleen M. Cardillo.
- Plaintiff, Tammy M. St. Hilaire, is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Lincoln, Rhode Island. Tammy M. St. Hilaire was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Robert P. Feeney is an individual who at all times material hereto lived in Plymouth, Massachusetts. Robert P. Feeney was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- (a) Plaintiff, David D. Brennan, is an individual who at times material hereto lived 197. in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Brennan was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Susan Brennan brings this claim as wife of David D. Brennan.
- Plaintiff, Robert M. Cripe, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in 198. West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Cripe was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Neil E. Cronin, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Cronin was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

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- 200. Plaintiff, Karen M. Gordon, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Gordon was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 201. Plaintiff, Paul R. Gordon, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Gordon was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 202. Plaintiff, Joseph A. Jones, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Cranston, Rhode Island. Mr. Jones was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 203. Plaintiff, Lee A. Karvonen, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Greene, Rhode Island. Mr. Karvonen was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 204. Plaintiff, Theresia M. LaBree, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Ms. LaBree was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 205. (a) Plaintiff, Melissa J. Minor, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Minor was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff John Minor brings this claim as husband of Melissa Minor.
- 206. Plaintiff, Charles A. Oberg, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Mr. Oberg was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

- Plaintiff, Linda A. Ormerod, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in 207. Providence, Rhode Island. Ms. Ormerod was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, John S. Pinkham, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Mr. Pinkham was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Victoria L. Potvin, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in 209. West Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Potvin was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Kerrie A. Rock, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in 210. West Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Rock was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- Plaintiff, Timothy J. Rossano, is an individual who at times material hereto lived 211. in Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Rossano was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- (a) Plaintiff, Nancy S. Trautz, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in South Dartmouth, Massachusetts. Ms. Trautz was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Chris C. Trautz brings this claim as husband of Nancy S. Trautz.
- (a) Plaintiff. Donovan Williams, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Mr. Williams was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Donovan

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Williams, brings these claims as father and next friend of his three minor children, Zachary, Hayley and Dylan Williams.

- 214. Plaintiff, Sharon A. Wilson, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Ms. Wilson was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 215. Plaintiff, Melanie Fontaine, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Johnston, Rhode Island. Ms. Fontaine was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she injured in the fire.
- 216. (a) Plaintiff, Shawn Lourenco, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in New Bedford, Massachusetts. Mr. Lourenco was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff, Mary Lourenco, as legal guardian brings this claim on behalf of Shawn Lourenco's minor children, Brett Lourenco, Bryan Lourenco and Brad Lourenco.
- 217. Plaintiff, Ashley A. Poland, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Wakefield, Rhode Island. Ms. Poland was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire.
- 218. Plaintiff, Joseph Cristina, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in East Bridgewater, Massachusetts. Mr. Cristina was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 219. Plaintiff, William Rancourt, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Providence, Rhode Island. Mr. Rancourt was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.

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- 220. Plaintiff, Matthew Dussault, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Mr. Dussault was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 221. Plaintiff, Paul Bertolo, is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Brockton, Massachusetts. Mr. Bertolo was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire.
- 222. (a) Plaintiff Cynthia A. Nobles is an individual who at times material hereto lived in North Kingstown, Rhode Island. Cynthia A. Nobles was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Edward D. Nobles brings this claim as husband of Cynthia A. Nobles.
- 223. (a) Plaintiff Edward D. Nobles is an individual who at times material hereto lived in North Kingstown, Rhode Island. Edward D. Nobles was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Cynthia A. Nobles brings this claim as wife of Edward D. Nobles.
- 224. (a) Plaintiff Donald N. Trudeau is an individual who at times material hereto lived in Warwick, Rhode Island. Donald N. Trudeau was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where he was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Roberta Trudeau brings this claim as wife of Donald N. Trudeau.
- 225. Plaintiffs Jane C. Sylvester and Robert L. Sylvester, Co-Administrators of the Estate of Jason Sylvester, bring this claim on behalf of the Estate and wrongful death beneficiaries of Jason Sylvester, who lived in Coventry, Rhode Island. Jason Sylvester was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 and died of injuries sustained in the fire. Jane C. Sylvester and Robert L. Sylvester were appointed Co-

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Administrators of the plaintiff Estate by the Probate Court of the Town of Coventry on July 24, 2003.

226. (a) Plaintiff Erin Pucino is an individual who at times material hereto lived in North Kingstown, Rhode Island. Ms. Pucino was lawfully on the premises of The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003 where she was injured in the fire. (b) Plaintiff Erin Pucino brings this claim as mother and next friend of her minor child, Sterling Pucino. (Plaintiff paragraph numbers 227 through 270 reserved)

### GENERAL ALLEGATIONS AS TO ALL DEFENDANTS

271. On February 20, 2003, because of the carelessness and negligence of the defendants, and each of them, by their agents, servants, employees, officers and directors, and by reason of the breach by some of the defendants of contractual obligations to which the plaintiffs are third-party beneficiaries, and by reason of the breach by some of the defendants of their strict product liability obligations, a fire was caused to spread throughout and to consume the premises at 211 Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, exposing plaintiffs, plaintiffs' decedents and other persons from which the plaintiffs derive rights to sue to fire, smoke, noxious and poisonous fumes and gases, molten materials, trampling and other dangers, as a result of which the plaintiffs were caused to sustain injuries and/or death and other damages.

#### **JEFFREY DERDERIAN**

- 272. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 273. The defendant Jeffrey Derderian is an individual who at times material hereto resided in Narragansett, Washington County, Rhode Island. At times material hereto Jeffrey

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Derderian acted individually and as an agent of defendant DERCO, LLC and as an agent of LIN Television Corporation.

- 274. The defendant Jeffrey Derderian was negligent, both individually and as an agent of defendant DERCO, LLC, in the management, maintenance, supervision, control and inspection of The Station. Without limitation, defendant Jeffrey Derderian:
  - a. contributed to the over-crowding of The Station of February 20, 2003;
  - b. installed and maintained defective material, including flammable foam and other interior finish, in The Station which caused and contributed to fire spread;
  - c. failed to ensure compliance with Rhode Island's laws for the permit and use of pyrotechnics;
  - d. failed to provide numerous fire prevention, detection, and suppression materials at The Station; and
  - e. failed to provide proper means of egress and adequate and operable lighting to illuminate such means of egress during the fire.
- 275. Defendant Jeffrey Derderian's negligence, both individually and as an agent of DERCO, LLC caused deaths and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.
- 276. On February 20, 2003, Jeffrey Derderian acted at times material hereto as an investigative reporter for WPRI Channel 12, owned by LIN Television Corporation ("LIN"). Together with Channel 12 photographer Brian Butler, also employed by LIN, Jeffrey Derderian was investigating and preparing an analysis of nightclub safety for his employer, LIN, intended to be aired in the wake of a fatal Chicago nightclub fire.
- 277. Jeffrey Derderian knew of several hazardous conditions in The Station nightclub on February 20<sup>th</sup> prior to 11:00 p.m., including without limitation that the club was substantially overcrowded, that it lacked adequate and lawful egress, that non-flame-retardant and defective egg crate foam had been placed on the interior finish of the walls surrounding the Conv. Attestine

band would perform, and that Great White would use pyrotechnics in close proximity to these walls.

278. Had Jeffrey Derderian been investigating any other nightclub but one he owned and operated, he would have, armed with this knowledge, brought it to the attention of the owners and operators of the nightclub in an effort to aggressively promote a newsworthy story and/or to promote safety and prevent tragedy.

279. Jeffrey Derderian's failure to call attention to these defects as an individual, as owner of DERCO, LLC, and as an investigative reporter for LIN Television Corporation working for WPRI Channel 12, caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### <u>COUNT I</u> JEFFREY DERDERIAN – NEGLIGENCE

- 280. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 281. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Jeffrey Derderian arising out of his negligence as an individual, as an agent of DERCO, LLC, and as an agent of LIN Television Corporation.

## VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 282. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 283. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

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### MICHAEL DERDERIAN

- 284. The defendant Michael Derderian is an individual who at times material hereto resided in Saunderstown, Washington County, Rhode Island. At times material hereto Michael Derderian acted individually and as an agent of defendant DERCO, LLC.
- 285. The defendant Michael Derderian was negligent, both individually and as an agent of defendant DERCO, LLC, in the management, maintenance, supervision, control and inspection of The Station. Without limitation, defendant Michael Derderian:
  - contributed to the overcrowding of The Station on February 20, 2003;
  - installed and maintained defective material, including flammable foam and Ъ. other interior finish, in The Station which caused and contributed to the fire spread;
  - failed to ensure compliance with Rhode Island's laws for the permit and use of c. pyrotechnics;
  - failed to provide numerous fire prevention, detection and suppression d. materials at The Station; and
  - failed to provide proper means of egress and adequate and operable lighting to e. illuminate such means of egress during the fire.
- 286. Defendant Michael Derderian's negligence, both individually and as an agent of DERCO, LLC, caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

## COUNT III MICHAEL DERDERIAN – NEGLIGENCE

- 287. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Michael Derderian arising out of his negligence as an individual and as an agent of DERCO, LLC.

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# COUNT IV VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 289. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 290. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

### DERCO, LLC

- 291. The defendant DERCO, LLC is a Rhode Island Corporation with a principal place of business in West Warwick. DERCO, LLC does business as The Station and is owned by defendants Jeffrey Derderian and Michael Derderian.
- 292. The defendant DERCO, LLC, through its agents, servants and employees, was negligent in the management, maintenance, supervision, control and inspection of The Station, which it owned and operated. DERCO, LLC's negligence included, without limitation:
  - a. allowing The Station to be overcrowded on February 20, 2003;
  - b. allowing the installation and maintenance of defective material, including flammable foam and other interior finish, in The Station which caused and contributed to fire spread;
  - c. failing to ensure compliance with Rhode Island's laws for the permit and use of pyrotechnics;
  - d. failing to provide numerous fire prevention, detection and suppression materials at The Station; and
  - e. failing to provide proper means of egress and adequate and operable lighting to illuminate such means of egress during the fire.
- 293. Defendant DERCO, LLC's negligence caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

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## COUNT V DERCO, LLC – NEGLIGENCE

- 294. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 295. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from DERCO, LLC arising out of its negligence.

## VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 296. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 297. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

### **HOWARD JULIAN**

- 298. The defendant Howard Julian is an individual who at times material hereto resided in Hope Valley, Washington County, Rhode Island. At times material hereto Howard Julian acted individually and as an agent and owner of defendant La Villa Strangiato, Inc.
- 299. From December 5, 1995 through March 7, 2000, the defendant Howard Julian, individually and as an agent and owner of La Villa Strangiato, Inc. negligently managed, maintained, supervised, controlled and inspected premises at 211 Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, while such premises were being leased from the defendant, Triton Realty Limited Partnership. Julian's negligence included the installation and maintenance of defective material, including interior finish, on the premises, which caused and contributed to fire spread on

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February 20, 2003. Defendant Howard Julian's negligence, both individually and as an agent of La Villa Strangiato, Inc. caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### COUNT VI HOWARD JULIAN - NEGLIGENCE

- 300. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 301. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Howard Julian arising out of his negligence as an individual and as an agent of La Villa Strangiato, Inc.

# COUNT VII VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 302. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 303. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

### TRITON REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

- 304. Triton Realty Limited Partnership is a limited partnership organized under the laws of Massachusetts, registered to do business in and having a principal place of business in Rhode Island. At all relevant times Triton Realty Limited Partnership owned property at 211 Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island, and leased property to various individuals and entities for the operation of restaurants and nightclubs.
- 305. As property owner Triton Realty Limited Partnership had an obligation to keep the premises reasonably safe for all persons lawfully on the property. As landlord, Triton Realty Limited Partnership retained the right to approve or reject any and all alterations or repairs made

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by the tenant. Triton Realty Limited Partnership retained sufficient control over the leased premises to impose upon it a duty to correct defective and nuisance conditions created by tenants both prior to renewal of leases and after lease renewal but prior to the fire of February 20, 2003.

- 306. Triton Realty Limited Partnership breached the aforementioned duties and obligations by negligently failing to correct and remove defective conditions on the premises, including without limitation, defective material installed on the premises, including interior finish, and failing to correct open and obvious building and fire code violations on the premises. Defendant Triton Realty Limited Partnership's negligence caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.
- 307. On information and belief, Defendant Triton Realty Limited Partnership has transferred assets with the intent to hinder, delay or defraud Plaintiffs.

## COUNT VIII TRITON REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP – NEGLIGENCE

- 308. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 309. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Triton Realty Limited Partnership arising out of its negligence.

# COUNT IX VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 310. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 311. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

#### TRITON REALTY, INC.

- 312. Triton Realty, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of Massachusetts and registered to do business in and having a principal place of business in Rhode Island. At relevant times Triton Realty, Inc. was the General Partner of Triton Realty Limited Partnership, which limited partnership owned property at 211 Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island and leased the property to various individuals and entities for the operations of restaurants and nightclubs.
- 313. As general partner of Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Triton Realty, Inc. had an obligation to keep the premises at 211 Cowesett Avenue in West Warwick, Rhode Island reasonably safe for all persons lawfully on the property. As general partner of the landlord, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Triton Realty, Inc. retained the right to approve or reject any and all alterations or repairs made by the tenant. Triton Realty, Inc., as general partner of Triton Realty Limited Partnership, retained sufficient control over the leased premises to impose upon it a duty to correct defects and nuisance conditions created by tenants both prior to renewal of leases and after lease renewal but prior to the fire of February 20, 2003.
- 314. Triton Realty, Inc., as general partner of Triton Realty Limited Partnership, breached the aforementioned duties and obligations by negligently failing to correct and remove defective conditions on the premises, including without limitation, defective material installed on the premises, including interior finish, and failing to correct open and obvious building and fire code violations. Defendant Triton Realty, Inc.'s negligence caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.
- 315. On information and belief Defendant Triton Realty, Inc. has transferred assets with the intent to hinder, delay or defraud Plaintiffs.

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## COUNT X TRITON REALTY, INC. – NEGLIGENCE

- 316. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 317. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Triton Realty, Inc. arising out of its negligence.

# COUNT XI VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 318. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 319. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

## RAYMOND J. VILLANOVA

- 320. Raymond J. Villanova ("Villanova") is a resident of Warwick, Kent County, Rhode Island. At relevant times Raymond J. Villanova was General Partner of Triton Realty Limited Partnership, the owner of property at 211 Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick, Rhode Island.
- 321. As general partner of the property owner Triton Realty Limited Partnership,
  Villanova had an obligation to keep the premises reasonably safe for all persons lawfully on the
  property. As general partner to the landlord, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Villanova
  retained the right to approve or reject any and all alterations or repairs made by the tenant. As
  general partner of Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Villanova retained sufficient control over
  the leased premises to impose upon it a duty to correct defects and nuisance conditions created

by the tenants both prior to renewal of leased and after lease renewal but prior the fire of February 20, 2003.

- 322. Villanova as general partner of Triton Realty Limited Partnership breached the aforementioned duties and obligations by negligently failing to correct and remove defective conditions on the premises, including without limitation, defective material installed on the premises, including interior finish, failing to correct open and obvious building and fire code violations. Defendant Villanova's negligence caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.
- 323. On information and belief Defendant Villanova has transferred assets with the intent to hinder, delay or defraud Plaintiffs.

## <u>COUNT XII</u> RAYMOND J. VILLANOVA – NEGLIGENCE

- 324. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 325. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Raymond J. Villanova arising out of his negligence.

# COUNT XIII VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 326. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 327. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

#### **JACK RUSSELL**

- 328. The defendant Jack Russell is a resident of California, and was on February 20, 2003, the lead singer of the Band Great White. Defendant Russell individually managed and controlled many aspects of the Band's performance, including its use of pyrotechnics.
- 329. The defendant Russell had a duty to exercise reasonable care for the safety of the patrons at The Station nightclub in connection with a concert performed there by Great White on February 20, 2003.
- 330. The defendant Russell failed to use reasonable care and failed to comply with the laws of the State of Rhode Island including, without limitation:
  - a. the failure to obtain a valid certificate of competency from the State Fire Marshal for the possession and display of pyrotechnics;
  - b. the failure to obtain a permit for the use and display of proximate pyrotechnics;
  - c. the failure to comply with the Rhode Island Fire Safety Code for Fireworks and Pyrotechnics (chapter 23-28.11-3 -- 11-10); and
  - d. failure to display pyrotechnics in accordance with the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1126, entitled "Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience."
- 331. Defendant Jack Russell's failure to use reasonable care and violation of the laws of the State of Rhode Island and the requirements of NFPA 1126 caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

## COUNT XIV JACK RUSSELL – NEGLIGENCE

332. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.

333. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Jack Russell arising out of his negligence.

# VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

334. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

### JACK RUSSELL TOURING, INC.

- 335. The defendant, Jack Russell Touring, Inc. is a California corporation that employed Jack Russell and other members of the band Great White in February of 2003. Jack Russell Touring, Inc. managed and controlled many aspects of the band Great White's performance, including its use of pyrotechnics. Jack Russell Touring, Inc. had a duty to exercise reasonable care for the safety of the patrons of The Station and a duty to comply with the laws of Rhode Island in connection with a concert performed by Great White at The Station on February 20, 2003.
- 336. The defendant Jack Russell Touring, Inc. failed to use reasonable care and failed to comply with the laws of the State of Rhode Island, including without limitation:
  - a. the failure to obtain a valid certificate of competency from the State Fire Marshal for the possession and display of pyrotechnics;
  - b. the failure to obtain a permit for the use and display of proximate pyrotechnics;
  - c. the failure to comply with the Rhode Island Fire Safety Code for Fireworks and Pyrotechnics (chapter 23-28.11-3 -- 11-10); and

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- d. failure to display pyrotechnics in accordance with the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1126, entitled "Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience."
- 337. Additionally, Defendant Jack Russell Touring, Inc., through its agents, servants and employees, transported more than 25 kilograms of explosive material (fireworks) in interstate commerce and into Rhode Island without registration or permit, state or federal, allowing same to be used by unlicensed persons in close proximity to the public, within a confined, highly flammable space.
- 338. Said actions by Jack Russell Touring, Inc. were negligent and in violation of state and federal laws, including but not limited to R.I.G.L. Title 11, Chapter 13, Section 8 and 49 C.F.R. §107.601(a)(2).
- 339. Plaintiffs bring the following claims under common law of negligence and under R.I.G.L. §9-1-2. The negligence and violations of criminal law by Jack Russell Touring, Inc. were a proximate cause of Plaintiffs' deaths and injuries.

### <u>COUNT XVI</u> JACK RUSSELL TOURING, INC. – NEGLIGENCE

- 340. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 341. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Jack Russell Touring, Inc. arising out of its negligence.

# COUNT XVII VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

342. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.

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343. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

#### PAUL WOOLNOUGH

- 344. The defendant Paul Woolnough is a resident of the State of California, and a principal of Knight Records, Inc. and Manic Music Management, Inc. The defendant Woolnough, individually and through Knight Records, Inc. and Manic Music Management, Inc. managed and controlled many aspects of the band Great White's performance on February 20, 2003, including its use of pyrotechnics.
- 345. The defendant Paul Woolnough had a duty to exercise reasonable care for the safety of patrons of The Station nightclub and to comply with the laws of Rhode Island in connection with a concert performed at The Station by Great White on February 20, 2003.
- 346. The defendant Paul Woolnough failed to use reasonable care and failed to comply with the laws of the State of Rhode Island, including without limitation:
  - a. the failure to obtain a valid certificate of competency from the State Fire Marshal for the possession and display of pyrotechnics;
  - b. the failure to obtain a permit for the use and display of proximate pyrotechnics;
  - c. the failure to comply with the Rhode Island Fire Safety Code for Fireworks and Pyrotechnics (chapter 23-28.11-3 -- 11-10); and
  - d. failure to display pyrotechnics in accordance with the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1126, entitled "Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience."
- 347. Defendant Paul Woolnough's negligence, both individually and as an agent of Knight Records, Inc. and Manic Music Management, Inc., caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

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## **COUNT XVIII** PAUL WOOLNOUGH - NEGLIGENCE

- 348. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Paul Woolnough arising out of its negligence.

# **VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS**

- 350. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 351. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

## MANIC MUSIC MANAGEMENT, INC.

- 352. The defendant Manic Music Management, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of California. At relevant times the defendant Manic Music Management, Inc. managed and controlled many aspects of the band Great White's performance, including its use of pyrotechnics.
- 353. The defendant Manic Music Management, Inc. had a duty to exercise reasonable care for the safety of patrons of The Station and comply with the laws of Rhode Island in connection with a concert performed at The Station on February 20, 2003 by Great White.

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- 354. The defendant Manic Music Management, Inc. failed to use reasonable care and failed to comply with the laws of the State of Rhode Island, including without limitation:
  - a. the failure to obtain a valid certificate of competency from the State Fire Marshal for the possession and display of pyrotechnics;
  - b. the failure to obtain a permit for the use and display of proximate pyrotechnics;
  - c. the failure to comply with the Rhode Island Fire Safety Code for Fireworks and Pyrotechnics (chapter 23-28.11-3 -- 11-10); and
  - d. failure to display pyrotechnics in accordance with the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1126, entitled "Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience."
- 355. Defendant Manic Music Management's negligence caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### COUNT XX MANIC MUSIC MANAGEMENT, INC. – NEGLIGENCE

- 356. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 357. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Manic Music Management, Inc. arising out of its negligence.

## COUNT XXI VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 358. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 359. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

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#### KNIGHT RECORDS, INC.

- 360. The defendant Knight Records, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of California. At relevant times Knight Records, Inc. managed and controlled many aspects of the band Great White's performance, including its use of pyrotechnics.
- 361. The defendant Knight Records, Inc. had a duty to exercise reasonable care for the safety of patrons at The Station and to comply with the laws of Rhode Island in connection with a concert performed at The Station by Great White on February 20, 2003.
- 362. The defendant Knight Records, Inc. failed to exercise reasonable care and failed to comply with the laws of the State of Rhode Island, including without limitation:
  - a. the failure to obtain a valid certificate of competency from the State Fire Marshal for the possession and display of pyrotechnics;
  - b. the failure to obtain a permit for the use and display of proximate pyrotechnics;
  - c. the failure to comply with the Rhode Island Fire Safety Code for Fireworks and Pyrotechnics (chapter 23-28.11-3 -- 11-10); and
  - d. failure to display pyrotechnics in accordance with the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1126, entitled "Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience."
- 363. Defendant Knight Records, Inc.'s negligence caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### COUNT XXII KNIGHT RECORDS, INC. – NEGLIGENCE

- 364. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 365. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Knight Records, Inc. arising out of its negligence.

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## COUNT XXIII VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 366. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 367. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

#### **DANIEL BIECHELE**

- 368. The defendant Daniel Biechele is a resident of the State of California and was at relevant times tour manager of the band Great White and agent for Knight Records, Inc., Manic Music Management, Inc. and Jack Russell Touring, Inc.
- 369. The defendant Daniel Biechele had a duty to exercise reasonable care for the safety of patrons at The Station and to comply with the laws of Rhode Island in connection with a concert performed at The Station by Great White on February 20, 2003.
- 370. The defendant Daniel Biechele was negligent in the ignition of pyrotechnics before a proximate audience, failed to exercise reasonable care and failed to comply with the laws of the State of Rhode Island, including without limitation:
  - a. the failure to obtain a valid certificate of competency from the State Fire Marshal for the possession and display of pyrotechnics;
  - b. the failure to obtain a permit for the use and display of proximate pyrotechnics;
  - c. the failure to comply with the Rhode Island Fire Safety Code for Fireworks and Pyrotechnics (chapter 23-28.11-3 -- 11-10); and
  - d. failure to display pyrotechnics in accordance with the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1126, entitled "Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience."

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371. Defendant, Daniel Biechele's negligence, both individually and as an agent of Jack Russell Touring, Inc., Knight Records, Inc., and Manic Music Management, Inc. caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### <u>COUNT XXIV</u> <u>DANIEL BIECHELE – NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 372. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 373. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Daniel Biechele arising out of his negligence as an individual, and as an agent of Jack Russell Touring, Inc., Knight Records, Inc. and Manic Music Management, Inc.

# COUNT XXV VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 374. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 375. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

# ANHEUSER-BUSCH, INCORPORATED and ANHEUSER-BUSCH COMPANIES, INCORPORATED

376. The defendants Anheuser-Busch, Incorporated and Anheuser-Busch Companies, Incorporated (hereinafter collectively "Anheuser-Busch") are foreign corporations with a principal place of business in St. Louis, Missouri. Anheuser-Busch is registered to do business

in Rhode Island and conducts business in Rhode Island both independently and through an exclusive distributing agency, defendant McLaughlin & Moran, Inc.

- 377. Defendant Anheuser-Busch owns the registered trademark "Budweiser" and through written and verbal agreements with agents such as McLaughlin & Moran, Inc. grants the right to use the Budweiser trademark under circumstances which Anheuser-Busch controls.

  These circumstances include, upon information and belief, the requirement that Anheuser-Busch's trademark Budweiser not be used for or in support of or in sponsorship or promotion of an illegal activity.
- 378. Anheuser-Busch derives direct and indirect economic benefit from the use of the Budweiser trademark in circumstances where Anheuser-Busch can promote brand awareness, and encourage consumption of Budweiser and other Anheuser-Busch products. These circumstances include the use of the Budweiser trademark to invite individuals to crowded clubs, to concerts, and to places of public assembly where target age-groups gather that are known and predicted by Anheuser-Busch to consume its products.
- 379. Anheuser-Busch had at all material times a special awareness of the need to regulate and insure the safe use of pyrotechnic special effects at indoor locations. Senior officials of Anheuser-Busch serve as members and alternates on the Technical Committee on Special Effects, the drafter of NFPA 1126, the national standard for the use of pyrotechnics before a proximate audience.
- 380. By early January 2003, Anheuser-Busch, directly and through its agent
  McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., had determined that it would grant the use of the trademark
  Budweiser to promote, sponsor and endorse a concert by the heavy metal band Great White at

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The Station in West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003. Anheuser-Busch agreed to do this by:

- a. advertising its promotion and sponsorship in print and on the radio;
- b. printing a banner which announced the concert and expressly invited patrons to "party with Budweiser" and hanging it outside the concert venue days prior to February 20, 2003;
- c. determining and advertising that it would specifically distribute Budweiser product that was bottled, or "born on," the date of the concert, February 20, 2003 and delivering said beer to The Station on 2/20/03;
- d. distributing hats, tee shirts and other Budweiser products within the concert venue at The Station during the concert on February 20, 2003;
- e. meeting with others who were promoting the concert, including the club owners and operators, officials and employees of the radio station WHJY and its parent Clear Channel, Inc., and coordinating the timing of these promotional activities prior to and during the concert of February 20, 2003.
- 381. Anheuser-Busch knew or should have known that the concert that it promoted involved a band that customarily utilized pyrotechnics, and that Great White had repeatedly, openly and illegally used unlicensed pyrotechnics on its tour on numerous occasions prior to February 20, 2003. Minimal inquiry by Anheuser-Busch would have disclosed the inherently dangerous nature of the band's performance, a performance that began with the setting off of illegal fireworks.
- 382. By virtue of these special circumstances, Anheuser-Busch owed a duty as a promoter and sponsor of the concert Great White was to perform in West Warwick at The Station on February 20, 2003, to make that minimal inquiry sufficient to discover the dangers of the band's performance.

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- 383. This duty derived from their special role in supporting and promoting the concert, and from their superior knowledge of the dangers of improperly licensed and regulated proximate pyrotechnics in this setting.
- 384. Anheuser-Busch breached their duty to patrons at the Great White concert at The Station in West Warwick on February 20, 2003, and their negligence caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs. Moreover, Anheuser-Busch's actions substantially contributed to the unlawful and dangerous overcrowding of the premises, and to the patrons' difficulties in escaping the burning building.

### ANHEUSER-BUSCH - NEGLIGENCE

- 385. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 386. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Anheuser-Busch arising out of its negligence as an entity and through its agent, McLaughlin & Moran, Inc.

### McLAUGHLIN & MORAN

- 387. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc. is a Rhode Island corporation with a principal place of business in Cranston, County of Providence, Rhode Island. At all relevant times McLaughlin & Moran, Inc. was the exclusive distributor for Anheuser-Busch in Rhode Island, acting as its agent with respect to all matters, including without limitation, agreements for the use of the Budweiser trademark owned by Anheuser-Busch.
- 388. By early January 2003, McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., acting individually and as the agent of Anheuser-Busch, determined that it would grant the use the trademark Budweiser to promote, sponsor and endorse a concert by the heavy metal band Great White at The Station in

West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc. agreed to do this by:

- a. advertising its promotion and sponsorship in print and on the radio on behalf of Budweiser;
- b. printing a banner which announced the concert and expressly invited patrons to "party with Budweiser" and hanging it outside the concert venue days prior to February 20, 2003;
- c. determining and advertising that it would specifically distribute Budweiser product that was bottled, or "born on," the date of the concert, February 20, 2003;
- d. providing its employees to distribute tee shirts and other Budweiser products within the concert venue at The Station during the concert on February 20, 2003; and
- e. meeting with others who were promoting the concert, including the club owners and operators, officials and employees of the radio station WHJY and its parent Clear Channel, Inc., and coordinating the timing of these promotional activities prior to and during the concert of February 20, 2003.
- 389. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., both individually and as the agent of Anheuser-Busch, knew or should have known that the concert that it chose to promote involved a band that customarily utilized pyrotechnics, and that Great White had repeatedly, openly and illegally used unlicensed pyrotechnics on its tour on numerous occasions prior to February 20, 2003. Minimal inquiry by McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., individually and as agent of Anheuser-Busch, would have disclosed the inherently dangerous nature of the band's performance, a performance that began with the setting off of illegal fireworks.
- 390. By virtue of these special circumstances, McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., both individually and as agent of Anheuser-Busch, owed a duty as a promoter and sponsor of the concert Great White was to perform in West Warwick at The Station on February 20, 2003, to make that minimal inquiry sufficient to discover the dangers of the band's performance.

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- 391. This duty derived from the special role that McLaughlin & Moran, individually and as agent of Anheuser-Busch played in supporting and promoting the concert, and from the superior knowledge of Anheuser-Busch relating to the dangers of improperly licensed and regulated proximate pyrotechnics in this setting.
- 392. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc. breached their duty to patrons of the Great White concert at The Station in West Warwick on February 20, 2003, and their negligence caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### McLAUGHLIN & MORAN, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

- 393. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 394. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from the defendant McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., both individually and as an agent of Anheuser-Busch.

### WHJY, INC.

- 395. The defendant WHJY, Inc. is a Rhode Island corporation with a principal place of business in San Antonio, TX. WHJY, Inc. operates WHJY-FM in Providence, Rhode Island. WHJY, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of the defendant Clear Channel Broadcasting, Inc.
- 396. Defendant WHJY was in early 2003 a radio station that broadcast, among other types of music, heavy metal rock music. The defendant was sufficiently familiar with the band known as Great White to be aware of the style and manner of its musical performance and stage production. Specifically, WHJY, Inc., through its agents, servants and employees had specific knowledge that the band Great White used pyrotechnics before proximate audiences at its concerts.

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- 397. By early January 2003, defendant WHJY, Inc. had determined that it would promote, sponsor and endorse a concert by the heavy metal band Great White at The Station in West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003. WHJY, Inc. agreed to accomplish this by:
  - a. advertising its promotion and sponsorship in print and on the radio;
  - b. authorizing a banner which announced the concert and expressly invited patrons to "party with WHJY" and hanging it outside the concert venue days prior to February 20, 2003;
  - c. distributing free tickets to the concert through its radio station;
  - d. providing its employee Mike Gonsalves to be master of ceremonies and to introduce the band Great White, as well as providing various interns to assist at The Station during the concert with promotion and sponsorship;
  - e. meeting with others who were promoting the concert, including club owners and operators, and employees of defendants Anheuser-Busch and McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., and coordinating the timing of these promotional activities prior to and during the concert of February 20, 2003.
- was one that customarily utilized pyrotechnics and that Great White had repeatedly, openly and illegally used unlicensed pyrotechnics on its tour on numerous occasions prior to February 20, 2003. Minimal inquiry by WHJY, Inc. would have disclosed the inherently dangerous nature of the band's performance, a performance that WHJY knew or should have known would begin with the setting off of illegal pyrotechnics before a proximate audience.
- 399. By virtue of these special circumstances, WHJY, Inc. owed a duty as the promoter and sponsor of the concert Great White was to perform in West Warwick at The Station on February 20, 2003, to make minimal inquiry sufficient to discover the dangers of the band's performance.
- 400. WHJY, Inc.'s duty derived from its special role in supporting and promoting the concert and from its superior knowledge of the likelihood and probability that Great White

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would utilize proximate pyrotechnics in an illegal fashion in a proximate setting such as that at The Station.

401. WHJY, Inc. breached its duty to patrons of the Great White concert at The Station in West Warwick on February 20, 2003, and their negligence caused deaths and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### WHJY, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

- 402. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 403. This Count seeks on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from WHJY, Inc. arising out of its negligence.

### CLEAR CHANNEL BROADCASTING, INC.

- 404. The defendant Clear Channel Broadcasting, Inc. is a Nevada corporation with a principal place of business in San Antonio, Texas. Upon information and belief, Clear Channel Broadcasting, Inc. is engaged in the business of ownership and operation of radio stations and owns WHJY, Inc.
- 405. Clear Channel, in addition to owning WHJY, Inc., directly manages and controls the day-to-day affairs and policies of the radio station, WHJY-FM, including without limitation, decisions made with respect to promotion and sponsorship of concerts such as that which occurred at The Station on February 20, 2003.
- 406. Clear Channel is directly responsible as principal for the actions of its agent, WHJY, Inc., as more specifically set out in Count XXXI.
- 407. Defendant Clear Channel's negligence, both individually and as principal of the agent WHJY, Inc., caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### COUNT XXVI CLEAR CHANNEL BROADCASTING, INC. – NEGLIGENCE

- 408. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 409. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Clear Channel Broadcasting, Inc. arising out of its negligence.

# DENIS P. LAROCQUE, ANTHONY BETTENCOURT AND DIANE DERUOSI, IN HER CAPACITY AS TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF WEST WARWICK

- 410. The defendant Denis Larocque is a resident of West Warwick, Kent County,
  Rhode Island and is and was at relevant times Fire Inspector for the Town of West Warwick and
  responsible for enforcement of fire safety laws in the Town.
- 411. Defendant Anthony Bettencourt is an individual who, at all times material hereto, was employed as a police officer by the Town of West Warwick, Rhode Island.
- 412. Diane DeRuosi is Treasurer of the Town of West Warwick, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Rhode Island.
- 413. Denis Larocque as Fire Inspector was responsible for inspecting commercial structures in the Town of West Warwick and for enforcing the fire code and building laws of the State of Rhode Island within West Warwick.
- 414. Denis Larocque, Fire Inspector, negligently failed to properly inspect the premises at 211 Cowesett Avenue in West Warwick, Rhode Island at various times prior to February 20, 2003.
- 415. As a proximate result of Defendant Denis P. Larocque's negligence plaintiffs suffered injuries or death.

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- 416. On February 20, 2003, Anthony Bettencourt was employed as a special detail officer to provide security services, and enforce the law, at The Station nightclub before and during the Great White Concert.
- 417. Defendant Anthony Bettencourt negligently failed to use reasonable care in carrying out his duties, failed to monitor and enforce occupancy restrictions, and permitted dangerous and unlawful overcrowding of the premises, failed to enforce Rhode Island's laws for the permit and use of pyrotechnics and otherwise negligently failed to perform his functions intended to protect the patrons of The Station, including plaintiffs.
- 418. As a direct and proximate result of Anthony Bettencourt's negligence plaintiffs suffered injuries or death.
- 419. The negligence of the Town of West Warwick, by and through its agents, servants and employees, included without limitation:
  - failing to adequately inspect The Station for safety hazards and violations;
  - b. failing to enforce fire safety laws, regulations and standards;
  - c. allowing unsafe numbers of persons on the premises during the performance;
  - d. allowing the use of dangerous pyrotechnic devices during performances at The Station;
  - e. allowing a public nuisance and a fire hazard to exist for an unreasonable period of time, namely, The Station nightclub;
  - f. failing to provide sufficient security and fire protection for a function at which they knew or should have known large numbers of people would be in attendance;
  - g. knowing of numerous dangerous conditions and fire hazards at The Station and failing to remedy those conditions or ordering them to be remedied;
  - h. failing to protect members of the public for the foreseeable risk of serious injury or death at The Station;

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- i. failing to adequately oversee, supervise, monitor, evaluate, train and/or retrain those performing inspections of The Station;
- j. through the actions and inactions of its "detail policeman" Anthony
  Bettencourt who was performing a non-governmental function typically
  performed by private security services on the night of the fire, allowing (a)
  through (i), above; and
- k. responsibility for other acts and failures to act that may become apparent after discovery.
- 420. The negligence of Denis P. Larocque and the Town of West Warwick was egregious.
  - 421. The negligence of Anthony Bettencourt was egregious.
- 422. The negligence of all other agents, servants and employees of the Town of West Warwick including, without limitation, that of Building Inspector Stephen D. Murray, was egregious.
- 423. All plaintiffs provided the Town of West Warwick with a Notice of Presentment of Claim, pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Section 45-15-5.
- 424. The egregious negligence of the Town of West Warwick through Denis Larocque, and/or Anthony Bettencourt and/or Stephen D. Murray (or other agents, servants or employees) was a proximate cause of plaintiffs' deaths and injuries.

# COUNT XXVII DIANE DERUOSI, IN HER CAPACITY AS TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF WEST WARWICK – NEGLIGENCE

- 425. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 426. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Diane DeRuosi in her capacity as Treasurer of the Town of West Warwick for the town's negligence.

## COUNT XXVIII DENIS P. LAROCQUE, FIRE INSPECTOR – NEGLIGENCE

- 427. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 428. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Denis Larocque, Fire Inspector of the Town West Warwick, individually and in his official capacity, arising out of his negligence.

# COUNT XXIX VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 429. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 430. Several of Defendant Larocque's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

## COUNT XXX ANTHONY BETTENCOURT - NEGLIGENCE

- 431. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 432. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Anthony Bettencourt individually and in his official capacity for his negligence.

### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND

### <u>IRVING J. OWENS, FIRE MARSHAL</u>

433. The defendant, State of Rhode Island, is a body politic and through its Fire Marshal, Irving J. Owens, is directly responsible for the enactment and enforcement of fire safety

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laws within the State of Rhode Island. In particular, the State of Rhode Island and Irving J.

Owens, Fire Marshal are responsible for inspecting commercial structures such as The Station in the Town of West Warwick and for enforcing fire code and building code laws of the State of Rhode Island with respect to said structures.

- 434. The State of Rhode Island and Fire Marshal Irving J. Owens negligently and carelessly failed to properly inspect The Station and enforce the laws of the State of Rhode proximately causing injuries and deaths to plaintiffs. Such negligence included failing to enforce appropriate capacity limitations and exit requirements, failing to discover and order remedied highly flammable interior finish within the building and failing to properly train and supervise state personnel responsible for enforcing the fire safety laws of Rhode Island.
- 435. The negligence of the State of Rhode Island and Irving J. Owens, Fire Marshal, was egregious.

#### <u>COUNT XXXI</u> STATE OF RHODE ISLAND – NEGLIGENCE

- 436. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 437. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from the State of Rhode Island arising out of its egregious negligence.

COUNT XXXII
IRVING J. OWENS – NEGLIGENCE

- 438. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 439. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Irving J. Owens, individually and in his official capacity, arising from his egregious negligence.

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#### **BRIAN BUTLER**

- 440. The defendant Brian Butler is a resident of Rhode Island. Butler was on February20, 2003 an employee of WPRI Channel 12 and of LIN Television Corporation.
- 441. On February 20, 2003, Brian Butler, at the direction of Jeffrey Derderian, a
  Channel 12 investigative reporter for WPRI, and in the course of his employment with WPRI
  Channel 12 and LIN Television Corporation, was acting as a cameraman and filming within The
  Station and documenting its condition and operation as a nightclub. At relevant times Butler was
  directed by Derderian in the course of his employment as to what and where he should film with
  a large videocamera with an attached lighting source.
- 442. Butler filmed both before and after the instant when the fire ignited polyurethane foam on the stage of The Station. Rather than leaving the building, or assisting patrons of The Station to escape, Butler stood within the building, directly in an egress route, and filmed distressed patrons trying to leave the nightclub. Butler's actions directly impeded the exit of patrons and contributed to the slowdown, backup and additional log jam for those attempting to leave through the main exit.
- 443. Defendant Brian Butler's negligence, both individually and as an employee of LIN Television Corporation and WPRI Channel 12, caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### COUNT XXXIII BRIAN BUTLER – NEGLIGENCE

444. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.

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445. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Brian Butler arising out of his negligence as an individual and agent of LIN Television Corporation and WPRI Channel 12.

#### LIN TELEVISION CORPORATION

- 446. The defendant LIN Television Corporation is a Delaware corporation with a principal place of business in Providence, Rhode Island.
- 447. At relevant times LIN Television Corporation employed defendant Jeffrey Derderian as an investigative reporter and defendant Brian Butler as a cameraman.
- 448. The defendant LIN Television Corporation is vicariously responsible for the actions of defendant Butler and defendant Derderian on February 20, 2003, performed in the course of their employment for LIN T.V. and WPRI Channel 12.
- 449. Defendant LIN T.V.'s negligence, by and through the actions of its agents, servants and employees Jeffrey Derderian and Brian Butler, caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### COUNT XXXIV LIN TELEVISION CORPORATION – NEGLIGENCE

- 450. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 451. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from LIN Television Corporation arising out of its negligence.

### CBS BROADCASTING, INC. d/b/a WPRI - CHANNEL 12

452. CBS Broadcasting, Inc. is a New York corporation doing business in Rhode Island as WPRI - Channel 12.

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- 453. At relevant times CBS Broadcasting, Inc. employed defendant Jeffrey Derderian as an investigative reporter and defendant Brian Butler as cameraman.
- 454. Defendant CBS Broadcasting, Inc. is vicariously responsible for the actions of defendant Butler and defendant Derderian on February 20, 2003, performed in the course of their employment.
- 455. Defendant CBS Broadcasting, Inc.'s negligence, by and through the actions of its agents, servants and employees Butler and Derderian caused deaths of and personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### COUNT XXXV CBS BROADCASTING, INC. – NEGLIGENCE

- 456. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 457. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from CBS Broadcasting, Inc. arising out of its negligence.

#### BARRY H. WARNER

- 458. The defendant Barry H. Warner resides in West Warwick, Kent County, Rhode Island.
- 459. At relevant times defendant Barry H. Warner was acting within the scope of his employment by American Foam Corporation.
- 460. Defendant Barry H. Warner sold foam plastic, upon information and belief polyurethane foam, as an acoustical foam to defendants Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian and DERCO, LLC to be used at The Station. Such sale took place prior to February 20, 2003.

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- 461. The foam that Warner sold on behalf of American Foam was highly flammable, non-flame-retardant, toxic, inappropriate for acoustical use and inappropriate for interior finish in places of public assembly.
- 462. Defendant Barry H. Warner negligently expressly or impliedly represented that the foam was safe for its intended purpose and failed to provide appropriate warnings despite his knowledge of the dangerous characteristics of the foam. Defendant Barry H. Warner did all this both as an individual and as an agent, servant or employee of American Foam Corporation.
  - 463. Warner's negligence caused deaths of and severe personal injuries to plaintiffs.

### COUNT XXXVI BARRY H. WARNER – NEGLIGENCE

- 464. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 465. This Count seeks damages on behalf of all plaintiffs from Barry H. Warner arising out of his negligence.

## COUNT XXXVII VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 466. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 467. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

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### <u>LUNA TECH, INC. – NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 468. The defendant Luna Tech, Inc. is an Alabama corporation with a principal place of business at Owens Cross Roads, Alabama, and having sufficient minimum contact with Rhode Island to be subject to this Court's jurisdiction.
- 469. Luna Tech manufactured the pyrotechnics used by the band Great White at The Station on February 20, 2003.
- 470. At all material times defendant owed a duty of care to ultimate users or recipients of its pyrotechnics, including plaintiffs, in designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, selling it or distributing the pyrotechnics.
- 471. The injuries sustained by plaintiffs were the direct and proximate result of defendant's negligent breach of its duties including but not limited to:
  - failure to use due care in the manufacture, sale or distribution of the a. pyrotechnics;
  - failure to make or cause to be made reasonable research and/or testing as to b. the effects of the pyrotechnics;
  - failure to otherwise adequately test the pyrotechnics before providing it, C. distributing it or selling it;
  - failure to warn potential and actual users of the product of its potential d. hazards:
  - failure to properly and adequately educate users about the use and hazards of e. the pyrotechnics.
  - failing to provide adequate protection for persons coming into contact with the f. pyrotechnics, such as plaintiffs, from suffering the injuries which plaintiffs suffered; and
  - otherwise failing to use due care in the design, manufacture, testing, g. inspecting, marketing advertising, labeling, packaging, provision, distribution and/or sale of the pyrotechnics.

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## LUNA TECH, INC. - STRICT LIABILITY

- 472. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- The pyrotechnics sold and/or distributed by defendant contained defects making them unreasonably dangerous to all actual and potential users or recipients of the pyrotechnics, including plaintiffs.
  - 474. Plaintiffs had no knowledge of the defective condition of the pyrotechnics.
- 475. The pyrotechnics were in substantially the same condition, when used, as when they left defendant's control.
- 476. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the pyrotechnics sold and/or distributed by defendant, plaintiffs suffered death or injuries.

### COUNT XXXIX HIGH TECH SPECIAL EFFECTS, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

- 477. The defendant High Tech Special Effects, Inc. is a Tennessee corporation with a principal place of business in Bartlett, Tennessee and having sufficient minimum contact with Rhode Island to be subject to this Court's jurisdiction.
- 478. High Tech Special Effects, Inc. sold to Great White the pyrotechnics that Great White used at The Station on February 20, 2003.
- 479. At all material times defendant owed a duty of care to ultimate users or recipients of its pyrotechnics, including plaintiffs, in designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, selling it or distributing the pyrotechnics.

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- 480. The injuries sustained by plaintiffs were the direct and proximate result of defendant's negligent breach of its duties including but not limited to:
  - a. failure to use due care in the manufacture, sale or distribution of the pyrotechnics;
  - b. failure to make or cause to be made reasonable research and/or testing as to the effects of the pyrotechnics;
  - c. failure to otherwise adequately test the pyrotechnics before providing it, distributing it or selling it;
  - d. failure to warn potential and actual users of the product of its potential hazards;
  - e. failure to properly and adequately educate users about the use and hazards of the pyrotechnics.
  - f. failing to provide adequate protection for persons coming into contact with the pyrotechnics, such as plaintiffs, from suffering the injuries which plaintiffs suffered; and
  - g. otherwise failing to use due care in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing advertising, labeling, packaging, provision, distribution and/or sale of the pyrotechnics.

# COUNT XL HIGH TECH SPECIAL EFFECTS, INC. STRICT LIABILITY

- 481. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 482. The pyrotechnics sold and/or distributed by defendant contained defects making them unreasonably dangerous to all actual and potential users or recipients of the pyrotechnics, including plaintiffs.
  - 483. Plaintiffs had no knowledge of the defective condition of the pyrotechnics.
- 484. The pyrotechnics were in substantially the same condition, when used, as when it left defendant's control.

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485. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the pyrotechnics sold and/or distributed by defendant, plaintiffs suffered death or injuries.

### COUNT XLI AMERICAN FOAM CORPORATION – NEGLIGENCE

- 486. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 487. Defendant American Foam Corporation is a Rhode Island corporation with a principal place of business in Johnston, Rhode Island.
- 488. Defendant American Foam Corporation distributed, sold and placed into the stream of commerce a foam plastic which was, upon information and belief, polyurethane foam. American Foam Corporation's employee, Barry H. Warner, acting within the scope of his employment, sold said foam to be used as acoustical interior finish at The Station nightclub. Such sale took place prior to February 20, 2003. The foam that was sold was highly flammable, non-flame-retardant, toxic, inappropriate for use as an acoustical foam and inappropriate for use on interior finish in places of public assembly.
- 489. Defendant American Foam Corporation, both individually and through its employee Barry Warner, negligently represented that the foam was safe and appropriate for its intended use.
- 490. At all material times, defendant owed a duty of care to ultimate users or recipients of the foam product, including plaintiffs, in designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, selling and/or distributing the foam product.
- 491. The injuries sustained by plaintiffs were the direct and proximate result of defendant's negligent breach of its duties including but not limited to its:
  - a. failure to use due care in the sale or distribution of the foam product: Attest

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- b. failure to make or cause to be made reasonable research and/or testing as to the effects of the foam product;
- failure to otherwise adequately test the foam product before providing it, distributing it or selling it;
- failure to warn potential and actual users of the product of its potential hazards;
- e. failure to properly and adequately educate users about the use and hazards of the foam product.
- f. failing to provide adequate protection for persons coming into contact with the foam product, such as plaintiffs, from suffering the injuries which plaintiffs suffered; and
- g. otherwise failing to use due care in the testing, inspecting, marketing advertising, packaging, labeling, provision, distribution and/or sale of the foam product.

## COUNT XLII AMERICAN FOAM CORPORATION STRICT LIABILITY

- 492. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 493. The foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant contained defects making it unreasonably dangerous to all actual and potential users or recipients of the foam product, including plaintiffs.
  - 494. Plaintiffs had no knowledge of the defective condition of the foam product.
- 495. The foam product was in substantially the same condition, when used, as when it left defendant's control.
- 496. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant, plaintiffs suffered death or injuries.

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### <u>COUNT XLIII</u> <u>LEGGETT & PLATT INCORPORATED – NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 497. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 498. Leggett & Platt Incorporated is a Missouri corporation doing business as Crest-Hood Foam Company, Inc. and Crest Foam.
- 499. Leggett & Platt manufactured and/or distributed and/or sold foam product to American Foam Corporation, which product caused severe injuries and death to plaintiffs.
- 500. Defendant, at all material times, owed a duty of due care to ultimate users and/or recipients of the foam product, including plaintiffs, in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, selling or distributing of the foam product.
- 501. The injuries sustained by plaintiffs were the direct and proximate result of defendant's negligent breach of its duties including, but not limited to, defendant's:
  - a. failure to use due care in the manufacture, sale or distribution of the foam product.
  - failure to make or cause to be made reasonable research and/or testing as to the effects of the foam product;
  - failure to otherwise adequately test the foam product before providing it, distributing it or selling it;
  - d. failure to warn potential and actual users of the product of its potential hazards;
  - e. failure to properly and adequately educate users about the use and hazards of the foam product.
  - f. failing to provide adequate protection for persons coming into contact with the foam product, such as plaintiffs, from suffering the injuries which plaintiffs suffered; and

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otherwise failing to use due care in the design, manufacture, testing, g. inspecting, marketing advertising, packaging, labeling, provision, distribution and/or sale of the foam product.

#### **COUNT XLIV** LEGGETT & PLATT CORPORATION STRICT LIABILITY

- 502. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- The foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant contained defects making it unreasonably dangerous to all actual and potential users or recipients of the foam product, including plaintiffs.
  - Plaintiffs had no knowledge of the defective condition of the foam product.
- 505. The foam product was in substantially the same condition, when used, as when it left defendant's control.
- 506. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant, plaintiffs suffered death or injuries.

#### COUNT XLV L & P FINANCIAL SERVICES CO. – NEGLIGENCE

- 507. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 508. L&P Financial Services Co. is a Delaware corporation which, in conjunction with defendant Leggett & Platt, sold foam product which injured plaintiffs.
- 509. Defendant, at all material times, owed a duty of due care to ultimate users and/or recipients, and/or people coming in contact with the foam product in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, selling and/or distributing of the foam product.

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- 510. The injuries suffered by the plaintiffs were a direct and proximate result of Defendant's negligent breach of its duties including but not limited to Defendant's:
  - a. failure to use due care in the manufacture, sale or distribution of the foam product.
  - b. failure to make or cause to be made reasonable research and/or testing as to the effects of the foam product;
  - c. failure to otherwise adequately test the foam product before providing it, distributing it or selling it;
  - d. failure to warn potential and actual users of the product of its potential hazards:
  - e. failure to properly and adequately educate users about the use and hazards of the foam product.
  - f. failing to provide adequate protection for persons coming into contact with the foam product, such as plaintiffs, from suffering the injuries which plaintiffs suffered; and
  - g. otherwise failing to use due care in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing advertising, packaging, provision, distribution and/or sale of the foam product.

## COUNT XLVI L&P FINANCIAL SERVICES CO. – STRICT LIABILITY

- 511. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 512. The foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant contained defects making it unreasonably dangerous to all actual and potential users or recipients of the foam product, including plaintiffs.
  - 513. Plaintiffs had no knowledge of the defective condition of the foam product.
- 514. The foam product was in substantially the same condition, when used, as when it left defendant's control.

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515. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant, plaintiffs suffered death or injuries.

### COUNT XLVII GENERAL FOAM CORPORATION. – NEGLIGENCE

- 516. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 517. Defendant General Foam Corporation is a Delaware corporation which manufactured, designed, advertised, marketed, sold or otherwise distributed foam product which injured plaintiffs.
- 518. Defendant, at all material times, owed a duty of due care to ultimate users and/or recipients, and/or people coming in contact with the foam product in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, selling and/or distributing of the foam product.
- 519. The injuries suffered by the plaintiffs were a direct and proximate result of defendant's negligent breach of its duties including but not limited to defendant's:
  - a. failure to use due care in the manufacture, sale or distribution of the foam product.
  - b. failure to make or cause to be made reasonable research and/or testing as to the effects of the foam product;
  - c. failure to otherwise adequately test the foam product before providing it, distributing it or selling it;
  - d. failure to warn potential and actual users of the product of its potential hazards;
  - e. failure to properly and adequately educate users about the use and hazards of the foam product.
  - f. failing to provide adequate protection for persons coming into contact with the foam product, such as plaintiffs, from suffering the injuries which plaintiffs suffered; and

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g. otherwise failing to use due care in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing advertising, packaging, provision, distribution and/or sale of the foam product.

### COUNT XLVIII GENERAL FOAM CORPORATION – STRICT LIABILITY

- 520. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 521. The foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant contained defects making it unreasonably dangerous to all actual and potential users or recipients of the foam product, including plaintiffs.
  - 522. Plaintiffs had no knowledge of the defective condition of the foam product.
- 523. The foam product was in substantially the same condition, when used, as when it left defendant's control.
- 524. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant, plaintiffs suffered death or injuries.

### COUNT XLIX GFC FOAM, LLC – NEGLIGENCE

- 525. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 526. Defendant GFC Foam, LLC is a Delaware limited liability company which at times material hereto, sold defective foam product which injured plaintiffs to American Foam Corporation.
- 527. On information and belief GFC Foam LLC manufactured foam product which injured plaintiffs.

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- 528. Defendant, at all material times, owed a duty of due care to ultimate users and/or recipients, and/or people coming in contact with the foam product in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, selling and/or distributing of the foam product.
- 529. The injuries suffered by the plaintiffs were a direct and proximate result of defendant's negligent breach of its duties including but not limited to defendant's:
  - a. failure to use due care in the manufacture, sale or distribution of the foam product.
  - b. failure to make or cause to be made reasonable research and/or testing as to the effects of the foam product;
  - c. failure to otherwise adequately test the foam product before providing it, distributing it or selling it;
  - d. failure to warn potential and actual users of the product of its potential hazards;
  - e. failure to properly and adequately educate users about the use and hazards of the foam product.
  - f. failing to provide adequate protection for persons coming into contact with the foam product, such as plaintiffs, from suffering the injuries which plaintiffs suffered; and
  - g. otherwise failing to use due care in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing advertising, packaging, provision, distribution and/or sale of the foam product.

### <u>COUNT L</u> <u>GFC FOAM, LLC – STRICT LIABILITY</u>

- 530. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 531. The foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant contained defects making it unreasonably dangerous to all actual and potential users or recipients of the foam product, including plaintiffs.

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- 532. Plaintiffs had no knowledge of the defective condition of the foam product.
- 533. The foam product was in substantially the same condition, when used, as when it left defendant's control.
- 534. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant, plaintiffs suffered death or injuries.

## COUNT LI FOAMEX LP – SUCCESSOR LIABILITY FOR GENERAL FOAM CORPORATION

- 535. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 536. Defendant Foamex LP is a Delaware limited partnership and is the successor entity to General Foam Corporation and is legally responsible to respond to plaintiff's claims in this action against General Foam Corporation.

#### COUNT LII FOAMEX INTERNATIONAL INC. – NEGLIGENCE

- 537. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 538. Foamex International Inc. is a Delaware corporation which, on information and belief, is a general partner, and owns 100% of defendant Foamex LP.
- 539. Foamex International Inc. so dominates and controls the affairs of Foamex LP that its acts as the alter ego Foamex LP and is responsible to plaintiffs to respond to their claims in this action.
- 540. Defendant, at all material times, owed a duty of due care to ultimate users and/or recipients, and/or people coming in contact with the foam product in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, selling and/or distributing of the foam product.

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- The injuries suffered by the plaintiff were a direct and proximate result of defendant's negligent breach of its duties including but not limited to defendants:
  - failure to use due care in the manufacture, sale or distribution of the foam a. product.
  - failure to make or cause to be made reasonable research and/or testing as to Ъ. the effects of the foam product;
  - failure to otherwise adequately test the foam product before providing it, C. distributing it or selling it;
  - failure to warn potential and actual users of the product of its potential d. hazards;
  - failure to properly and adequately educate users about the use and hazards of e. the foam product.
  - failing to provide adequate protection for persons coming into contact with the f. foam product, such as plaintiffs, from suffering the injuries which plaintiffs suffered; and
  - otherwise failing to use due care in the design, manufacture, testing, g. inspecting, marketing advertising, packaging, provision, distribution and/or sale of the foam product.

### **COUNT LIII** FOAMEX INTERNATIONAL INC. - STRICT LIABILITY

- 542. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 543. The foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant contained defects making it unreasonably dangerous to all actual and potential users or recipients of the foam product, including plaintiffs.
  - 544. Plaintiffs had no knowledge of the defective condition of the foam product.
- 545. The foam product was in substantially the same condition, when used, as when it rue Copy Attest left defendant's control.

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546. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the foam product sold and/or distributed by defendant, plaintiffs suffered death or injuries.

### COUNT LIV FMXL, INC. – LIABILITY AS GENERAL PARTNER

- 547. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 548. Defendant FMXI, Inc. is, on information and belief, a corporation organized in the State of Delaware and at times material hereto, was the managing general partner of Foamex LP.
- 549. FMXI, Inc., as general partner, is responsible for the liability of Foamex LP and is legally responsible to respond to plaintiffs' claims in this action.

### COUNT LV PMC, INC.

- 550. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 551. Defendant PMC, Inc. is, on information and belief, a Delaware corporation, a subsidiary of PMC Global, Inc., and, on information and belief, the parent company of General Foam Corporation.
- 552. Defendant PMC, Inc. so dominated and controlled the affairs of General Foam Corporation to make it legally responsible for the actions of General Foam Corporation as alleged in this complaint.

### COUNT LVI PMC GLOBAL, INC.

553. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.

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- 554. Defendant, PMC Global, Inc. is a Delaware corporation which, on information and belief, owns 100% of the capital stock of PMC, Inc.
- 555. Defendant PMC Global, Inc. so dominated and controlled the affairs of its wholly owned subsidiary, PMC, Inc. to make it legally responsible to respond the plaintiffs for the claims asserted in this complaint.

## JBL INCORPORATED f/k/a James B. Lansing Sound, Incorporated d/b/a JBL Professional - NEGLIGENCE

- 556. JBL INCORPORATED, formerly known as James B. Lansing Sound, Incorporated d/b/a JBL Professional (hereinafter "JBL") is a foreign corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and has sufficient minimum contacts with Rhode Island to be subject to this Court's jurisdiction.
- 557. At all times material hereto on and prior to February 20, 2003, JBL through its agents, employees, and/or assigns was in the business of designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, distributing, and selling encased electronic devices utilized for the amplification of sound (hereinafter "Amplifiers") and intended, at least in part, for use in various venues of public assembly.
- 558. At all times material hereto on and prior to February 20, 2003, JBL knew or should have known of the use of said amplifiers and speakers as stage furnishings in close proximity to performers and members of the general public and of the dangerous characteristics and properties of materials contained in and on such amplifiers and speakers.
- 559. At all times material hereto on and prior to February 20, 2003, JBL owed a duty to purchasers, users and to persons for whom exposure to said amplifiers and speakers was reasonably foreseeable, to exercise due care in the design, manufacture, testing, inspection, rue Copy Attest marketing, production, distribution and sale of said amplifiers.

- 560. The injuries suffered by the plaintiff were a direct and proximate result of defendant's negligent breach of its duties including but not limited to defendant's:
  - a. failure to use due care in the manufacture, sale or distribution of the amplifiers;
  - b. failure to make or cause to be made reasonable research and/or testing as to the effects of the amplifiers;
  - c. failure to otherwise adequately test the amplifiers before providing them, distributing them or selling them;
  - d. failure to warn potential and actual users of the product of its potential hazards;
  - e. failure to properly and adequately educate users about the use and hazards of the product.
  - f. failing to provide adequate protection for persons coming into contact with the product, such as plaintiffs, from suffering the injuries which plaintiffs suffered; and
  - g. otherwise failing to use due care in the design, manufacture, testing, inspecting, marketing advertising, packaging, provision, distribution and/or sale of the product.
- 561. On or about February 20, 2003, Plaintiffs and/or decedents were exposed to the dangerous characteristics and properties of said amplifiers/speakers in the combustion of, inter alia, highly flammable foam on and within the speakers.
- 562. Plaintiffs and/or decedents were at all times material hereto, in the exercise of due care.
- 563. Prior to February 20, 2003, JBL through its agents and/or employees, breached its said duty owed in that it was negligent in their manner of designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, marketing, producing, distributing and selling said amplifiers/speakers.
- 564. As a direct and proximate result of the negligence of JBL and/or its agents, employees, and/or assigns, said amplifiers were a proximate cause of the personal injuries of the Plaintiffs and/or deaths of the decedents in the combustion of the so-called Station Nightclub.

# COUNT LVII JBL INCORPORATED - STRICT LIABILITY

- 565. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 566. At the time JBL sold and/or distributed said amplifiers they were unreasonably dangerous in their characteristics and properties to all users and/or to all persons for whom exposure to said amplifiers was reasonably foreseeable.
- 567. At all times material hereto, Plaintiffs and/or the decedents had no knowledge of the said dangerous characteristics and properties of said amplifiers.
- 568. At all times when said amplifiers were used and/or when those persons and/or Plaintiffs for whom exposure to said amplifiers was reasonably foreseeable, were actually exposed, said amplifiers were in essentially the same condition as when they left the care custody and/or control of JBL.
- 569. As a direct and proximate result of using and/or being exposed to the dangerous characteristics and properties of said amplifiers, which were sold and/or distributed by JBL, Plaintiffs and/or the decedents suffered severe personal injuries and/or death.

# ESSEX INSURANCE COMPANY, MULTI-STATE INSPECTIONS, INC. AND HIGH CALIBER INSPECTIONS, INC.

- 570. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 571. The Essex Insurance Company (hereinafter "Essex") is a corporation licensed to sell liability and property and casualty insurance in the State of Rhode Island. It issued a policy of commercial liability insurance number 3CH 0430 to Michael Derderian, effective from March 24, 2002 to March 24, 2003 for The Station at 211 Cowesett Ave., West Warwick.

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- 572. Multi-State Inspections, Inc. (hereinafter "Multi-State") is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Rhode Island for the business of performing insurance inspections.
- 573. High Caliber Inspections, Inc. (hereinafter "High Caliber") is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Rhode Island for the business of performing insurance inspections.
- 574. At various times, including but not limited to April 4, 1996, March 25, 1998 and October 8, 2002, Essex, through its agents and servants, Multi-State and High Caliber, conducted inspections of the premises at 211 Cowesett Ave. Essex, Multi-State and High Caliber were negligent in performing said inspections. Their negligence included without limitation:
  - a. failing to adequately inspect The Station for safety hazards and fire/building code violations:
  - b. failing to note the presence of highly flammable surface treatments;
  - c. failing to note the inadequacy of exits;
  - d. failing to note practices of overcrowding;
  - e. allowing the use of dangerous pyrotechnic devices during performances at The Station;
  - f. knowing of numerous dangerous conditions and fire hazards at The Station and failing to remedy those conditions or order the insureds to remedy them;
  - g. failing to protect members of the public for the foreseeable risk of serious injury or death at The Station;
  - h. failing to adequately oversee, supervise, monitor, evaluate, train and/or retrain those performing inspections of The Station; and
  - i. other acts and failures to act that may become apparent after discovery.
- 575. The negligence of Essex, Multi-State and High Caliber, and each of them, were a proximate cause of Plaintiffs' deaths and injuries.

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### ESSEX INSURANCE COMPANY – NEGLIGENCE

- 576. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 577. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Essex Insurance Company for its negligence.

#### <u>COUNT LVIII</u> <u>MULTI-STATE INSPECTIONS, INC. – NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 578. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 579. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Multi-State Inspections, Inc. for its negligence.

#### <u>COUNT LIX</u> <u>HIGH CALIBER INSPECTIONS, INC. – NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 580. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 581. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from High Caliber Inspections, Inc. for its negligence.

# UNDERWRITERS AT LLOYD'S, LONDON AND GRESHAM & ASSOCIATES OF R.I., INC.

- 582. Underwriters at Lloyd's, London (hereinafter, "Lloyd's") is a surplus lines insurer approved to issue policies in the State of Rhode Island, having a designated agent for service in Rhode Island, and having sufficient minimum contacts with Rhode Island to be subject to this Court's jurisdiction.
- 583. Lloyd's issued a policy of liability insurance to Michael Derderian for his business at The Station numbered 05409 and effective March 24, 2000 to March 24, 200P. Attest

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- 584. Gresham & Associates of R.I., Inc. (hereinafter "Gresham"), previously known as Excess Insurance Underwriters of R.I., Inc., is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Rhode Island in the business of selling insurance.
- 585. At various times, including but not limited to May-June, 2000 Lloyd's, through its agents and servants Excess Insurance Underwriters of R.I., Inc. (and others) conducted inspections of the insured premises.
- 586. Lloyd's and Gresham (then known as Excess) were negligent in performing said inspections. Their negligence included without limitation:
  - a. failing to adequately inspect The Station for safety hazards and fire/building code violations;
  - b. failing to note the presence of highly flammable surface treatments;
  - c. failing to note the inadequacy of exits;
  - d. failing to note practices of overcrowding;
  - e. allowing the use of dangerous pyrotechnic devices during performances at The Station;
  - f. knowing of numerous dangerous conditions and fire hazards at The Station and failing to remedy those conditions or order the insureds to remedy them;
  - g. failing to protect members of the public for the foreseeable risk of serious injury or death at The Station;
  - h. failing to adequately oversee, supervise, monitor, evaluate, train and/or retrain those performing inspections of The Station;
  - i. other acts and failures to act that may become apparent after discovery.
- 587. The negligence of Lloyd's and Gresham, and each of them, were a proximate cause of Plaintiffs' deaths and injuries.

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#### <u>UNDERWRITERS AT LLOYD'S, LONDON – NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 588. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 589. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Underwriters at Lloyd's, London for its negligence.

## COUNT LX GRESHAM & ASSOCIATES OF R.I., INC – NEGLIGENCE

- 590. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 591. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Gresham & Associates of R.I., Inc. for its negligence.

#### FOUR SEASONS COACH LEASING, INC.

- 592. Four Seasons Coach Leasing, Inc. (hereinafter "Four Seasons") is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Tennessee and having sufficient contact with the State of Rhode Island to be subject to this Court's jurisdiction. At all times relevant to the instant case it provided transportation of Great White's personnel and equipment into, and within, the State of Rhode Island. It is a common carrier providing bus transportation in interstate commerce.
- 593. On or about February 20, 2003 Four Seasons, through its agents, servants and employees, transported more than 25 kilograms of explosive material (fireworks) in interstate commerce and into Rhode Island without registration or permit, state or federal, allowing same to be used by unlicensed persons in close proximity to the public, within a confined, highly flammable space.

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- 594. Said actions by Four Seasons were negligent and in violation of state and federal laws, including but not limited to R.I.G.L. Title 11, Chapter 13, Section 8 and 49 C.F.R. §107.601(a)(2).
- 595. Plaintiffs bring the following claims under common law of negligence and under R.I.G.L. §9-1-2. The negligence and violations of criminal law by Four Seasons were a proximate cause of Plaintiffs' deaths and injuries.

#### <u>COUNT LXI</u> FOUR SEASONS COACH LEASING, INC. – NEGLIGENCE

- 596. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 597. This Count seeks, on behalf of all plaintiffs, damages from Four Seasons Coach Leasing, Inc., for its negligence.

# COUNT LXII VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 598. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 599. Several of Defendant's actions or omissions constitute the commission of a crime or offense and, accordingly, plaintiffs may recover damages in this action for defendant's actions pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 2.

## <u>COUNT LXIII</u> "JOHN DOE" DEFENDANTS – NEGLIGENCE

600. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.



- 601. "John Doe" defendants are unknown defendants who manufactured, distributed, sold or installed non-flame-retardant foam or other defective products in use at The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003.
- 602. "John Doe" defendants are, further, unknown defendants who inspected the premises after installation of the foam prior to February 20, 2003.
- 603. "John Doe" defendants are, further, unknown defendants who promoted, managed, or produced the appearance of Great White at The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003.
- 604. "John Doe" defendants are, further, unknown defendants who received property from Triton Realty-related persons or entities with intent to hinder, delay or defraud Plaintiffs.
- 605. "John Doe" defendants, individually and collectively, were negligent and such negligence was a proximate cause of plaintiffs' injuries or death.

# <u>COUNT LXIV</u> "JOHN DOE" DEFENDANTS – STRICT LIABILITY

- 606. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate by reference herein all prior paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 607. The products manufactured, distributed, sold or installed by "John Doe" defendants contained defects making them unreasonably dangerous to all actual and potential users or recipients of the foam products, including plaintiffs.
  - 608. Plaintiffs had no knowledge of the defective condition of the products.
- 609. The products were in substantially the same condition, when used, as when they left these defendants' control.
- 610. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the products plaintiffs suffered death or injuries.

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#### PRAYERS FOR RELIEF

#### WHEREFORE:

#### Claims of Decedents' Estates

(a) All Plaintiffs representing estates of decedents pray for compensatory damages on behalf of said estates for the decedents' medical expenses, funeral expenses, lost wages and lost earning capacity during survival period, pain and suffering both physical and mental and loss of life's enjoyment against all defendants\*, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §10-7-5, et seq., jointly and severally, in such amounts as a jury deems proper, plus interest and costs;

#### Wrongful Death Claims

(b) All Plaintiffs representing wrongful death beneficiaries pray for damages against all defendants\* pursuant to R.I.G.L. §10-7-1, et seq., jointly and severally, in such amounts as a jury deems proper, plus interest and costs;

#### Death Cases - Loss of Spousal Consortium

(c) All Plaintiffs suing in their capacities as surviving spouses, or representatives of surviving spouses, of decedents pray for damages against all defendants\* for loss of spousal consortium pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 10-7-1.2(a), jointly and severally, in such amounts as a jury deems proper, plus interest and costs;

#### Death Cases - Loss of Parental Society and Companionship

(d) All Plaintiffs suing in their capacities as surviving minor children, or representatives of surviving minor children, of decedents pray for damages against all defendants\* for loss of parental society and companionship pursuant to R.I.G.L. §10-7-1.2(b), jointly and severally, in such amounts as a jury deems proper, plus interest and costs;

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#### Personal Injuries

(e) All Plaintiffs suing individually, or representatives of plaintiffs suing individually, who were injured in The Station nightclub fire hereby pray for compensatory damages against all defendants\* for their personal injuries sustained as a result of the fire including, but not limited to, medical expenses, lost wages and loss of earning capacity, pain and suffering both physical and mental, scarring, deformity, and disability, all of which may be permanent, jointly and severally, in such amounts as a jury deems proper, plus interest and costs;

#### Personal Injuries - Loss of Spousal Consortium

(f) All Plaintiffs suing in their capacity as spouse, or representatives of a spouse, of a person who was injured in The Station nightclub fire pray for damages for loss of consortium pursuant to R.I.G.L. §9-1-41(a) against all defendants\*, jointly and severally, in such amounts as a jury deems proper, plus interest and costs.

#### Personal Injuries - Loss of Parental Society and Companionship

(g) All Plaintiffs suing in their capacity as minor children or as representatives of minor children of persons injured in The Station nightclub fire pray for damages for loss of parental society and companionship pursuant to R.I.G.L. §9-1-41(b), against all defendants\*, jointly and severally, in such amounts as a jury deems proper, plus interest and costs;

#### **Bystander Emotional Distress**

(h) All Plaintiffs who are closely related to a victim of The Station nightclub fire and who suffered emotional distress from perceiving their loved ones' pain and suffering

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during and after the fire pray for compensatory damages against all defendants\*, jointly and severally, in such amounts as a jury deems proper, plus interest and costs;

\* Plaintiffs #38 (Cordier) make no claims against Defendant D16; Plaintiffs #50 (King), #72 (DeMaio), #100 (Arpin), #102 (Beese) and #163 (Choquette) make no claims against Defendants D1, D2 and D3; Plaintiffs #164 (N. Conant) and #165 (S. Conant) make no claims against Defendant D8; Plaintiff #224 (Trudeau) makes no claims against Defendants D14, D15 or D16.

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#### JURY TRIAL CLAIM

Plaintiffs claim trial by jury on all issues so triable.

# Plaintiffs #13d and e, #17 through #63, inclusive, #133 through #190, inclusive and #225 and #226,

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Numeric	al Victim List					
plaintiff number	last name	first name	middle initial	ıffix	attorney	Injury
40	DiRienzo	Christina			Mandell/Wistow	death
41	Fick	Charline	E.	•	Mandell/Wistow	death
42	Fleming	Thomas	J.		Mandell/Wistow	death
43	Florio-DePietro	Rachel	K.		Mandell/Wistow	death
44	Gahan	James	C. IV	<b>/</b>	Mandell/Wistow	death
45	Greene	Scott	c.		Mandeli/Wistow	death
46	Griffith	Scott	s.		Mandell/Wistow	death
47	Hoisington	Abble	L.		Mandell/Wistow	death
48	Howorth	Carlton	L. III	II	Mandell/Wistow	death
49	Kelly	Lisa			Mandell/Wistow	death
50	King	Tracy	F.		Mandell/Wistow	death
51	Kulz	Michael	Į.		Mandell/Wistow	death
52	Lapierre	Keith	R.		Mandell/Wistow	death
53	McQuarrie	Kristen	L.		Mandell/Wistow	death
54	Moreau	Leigh	Ann		Mandeli/Wistow	death
55	Moscynski	Beth			Mandell/Wistow	death
56	Rakoski	Theresa	L.		Mandell/Wistow	death
57	Reisner	Robert	L. II	II	Mandeli/Wistow	death
58	Shaw	Rebecca			Mandell/Wistow	death
59	Stark	Victor	L.		Mandell/Wistow	death
60	Suffoletto	Benjamin	J. Jr	r.	Mandell/Wistow	death
61	Suffoletto	Linda	D.		Mandell/Wistow	death
62	Washburn	Kevin	R.		Mandell/Wistow	death
63	Woodmansee	Everett	T. II	II	Mandell/Wistow	death
64	Darby	Matthew	₽.		Breggia	death
65a	Romanoff	Tracey	L.		Breggia	death
65b	Romanoff	Tracey	L.		St. Pierre	death
66	Hyer	Eric	J.		Breggia	death
67	Sanetti	Bridget	M.		Breggia	death
68	Gillett	Laura	L.		Breggia	death
69	Martin	Jeffrey	Wood		Mancuso	death
70	Stowers	Jennifer	L.		Mancuso	death
71	Corbett	Edward	B. Jr	r.	St. Pierre	death
72	DeMaio	Dina	Α.	_	St. Pierre	death
73	Johnson	Derek	В.		St. Pierre	death
74	Jacavone-Mancini	Andrea	L.		St. Pierre	death
75	Smith	Dennis	<b>J.</b>	,	St. Pierre	death
76	Arruda	Christopher	G.		Minicucci	death
77	Fontaine	Mark	Α.		Minicucci	death
78	Libera	Stephen	M.		Minicucci	death

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plaintiff number	last name	first name	middl initial	e suffix	attorney	Injury	
79	Ervanian	Edward	E.	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Minicucci	death	
80	Sullivan	Kathleen			Jones	injuries	
81	Vieira	Scott	J.		Jones	injuries	
82	Chamberlin	Susan	Н.		Jones	injuries	
83	Van Deusen	John	F.	III	Jones	injuries	
84	Luxton	Robert	J.		Jones	injuries	
85	Arruda	Elizabeth			Jones	injuries	
86	Rager	Robert	w.		Jones	injuries	
87	Kinan	Joseph	K.	·	Jones	injuries	
88	Fairbairn	John	F.		Jones	injuries	
89	Fairbairn	Andrea	F.		Jones	injuries	
90	Demos	Jose	R.		Jones	injuries	
91	O'Melia	Roberta			Jones	injuries	
92	Vallante	Fredrick	P.	Jr.	Jones	injuries	
93	Beers	Kerrie-Lynn			Jones	injuries	
94	Canillas	Francis	J.		Jones	injuries	
95	Ciccone	David			Jones	injuries	
96	Travis	Christopher	J.		Jones	injuries	
97	Schmidt	Jon	R.		Jones	injuries	
98	MacDonald	David	В.		Jones	injuries	
99	du Fosse'	Paul			Jones	injuries	
100	Arpin	John	R.		Jones	injuries	
101	Gould	Paula		•	Jones	injuries	
102	Beese	Kevin	J.	Sr.	Jones	injuries	
103	O'Donnell	Shaun			Jones	injuries	
104	Loftus	Brian			Jones	injuries	
105	Costa	Christopher	•		Jones	injuries	
106	Giroux-Brown	Georgette		•	Jones	injuries	
107	Zannella	Stephanie			Jones	injuries	
108	Prete	Roberta	J.		Jones	injuries	
109	Randall	Catherine			Jones	injuries	
110	Pezzelli	Edward		Jr.	Jones	injuries	
111	Pezzelli	Paul	,		Jones	injuries	
112	Barber	Joseph	P.		Jones	injuries	
113	Gershelis	Irina	М.		Jones	injuries	
114	Gaumitz	Rodney	J.		Jones	injuries	
115	Reis	Donna			Jones	injuries	
116	Schoepfer	Ronald	s.		Jones	injuries	
117	Grace	Richard	J.	•	Jones	injuries Attest	
118	Kelly	Tawnya			Jonesrue Cop	y Attest injuries	
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Numeric	al Victim List				
plaintiff number	last name	first name	middle initial	fix attorney	Injury
119	Dufour	Gregory	Scott	Jones	injuries
120	Wigginton	John	D.	Jones	injuries
121	Dunbar	Scott	•	Jones	injuries
122	Lusardi	Joseph		Jones	injuries
123	Kudryk	John	. *	Jones	injuries
124	Fravala	Brandon		Jones	injuries
125	Fravala	David		Jones	injuries
126	Petrarca	Robin		Jones	injuries
127	Stefani	Michael		Jones	injuries
128	Pomfret	Hollie	Α.	Jones	injuries
129	Pomfret	Justin		Jones	injuries
130	Prudhomme	Al		Jones	injuries
131	Prudhomme	Charlene		Jones	injuries
132	Harrington	Robert		Jones	injuries
133	Barlow	Robert	Å.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
134	Brown	Kristen	Α.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
135	Clarke	Patricia	L.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
	Companatico	Gennaro		Mandell/Wistow	injuries
136	Cook	Richard		Mandeli/Wistow	injuries
137	DelSanto	Richard		Mandell/Wistow	injuries
138	DiBona	Joseph	A. 3r.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
139	Fisher	Linda	M.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
140	Flynn	Joseph	М.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
141	Hale	Lis <b>a</b>	c.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
142		Laurie	A.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
143	Hussey	Marc	A.	Mandeli/Wistow	injuries
144	Lucier	Matthew	۸.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
145	Mallette		1-	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
146	Mangan	John Frances	Jr.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
147	McMurray	Christopher	P. J.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
148	Nowicki	Paul	M.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
149	Pelletier Perreault	Michael	141.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
150	Peters	Christopher	Α.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
151	Peters	Jonathan	Λ.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
152	•	Jason		Mandell/Wistow	injuries
153	Piscopio Rezendes	John	A.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
154	Sagesta	Catherine	C.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
155	Solitro	George	<b>.</b>	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
156	Stein	Gary		Mandell/Wistow	injuries
157	Stephenson	Melissa	Α.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
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Numerio	cal Victim List					
plaintiff number	last name	first name	middle initial	suffix	attorney	Injury
159	Beauchaine	Ray	F.	Jr.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
160	Belson	Julie		ř.	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
161	Blom	Kevin			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
162	Bump	Milisa			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
163	Choquette	Jennifer			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
164	Conant	Nicole			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
165	Conant	Stephanie			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
166	Conway	Arthur	J.	III	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
167	Cushman	Robert			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
168	Dell	Shauna			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
169	Richard	Claude	•		Mandell/Wistow	injuries
170	Dufour	Richard		Jr.	Mandeli/Wistow	injuries
171	Dufresne	James	•	•	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
172	Gibbs	John			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
173	Gray	Gregory			Mandell/Wistow	Injuries
174	Hall	Grant			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
175	Iannone	Michael			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
176	Krasinskas	Adrian			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
177	LoBianco	Joseph			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
178	McGinn	David			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
179	Peduzzi	Deborah			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
180	Perry	Dawn			Mandeli/Wistow	injuries
181	Perry	Stephen	• •		Mandell/Wistow	injuries
182	Precourt	Robin			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
183	Russo	Gina			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
184	Servis	Milton		11	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
185	Silva	Derrick	•		Mandeli/Wistow	injuries
186	Sippy	Erik			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
187	Steets	David			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
188	Vargas	Raul			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
189	Vieira	Jennifer			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
190	Wagner	Debra			Mandell/Wistow	injuries
191	Gauvin	Gina	M.		Redihan	injuries
192	Moresco	Scott	c.		Breggia	injuries
193	Cardillo	Mario	В.		Breggia	injuries
194	Cardillo	Kathleen	M.		Breggia	injuries
195	St. Hilaire	Tammy	M.		Breggia	injuries
196	Feeney	Robert	P.		Mancuso	injuries
197	Brennan	David	D.		St. Pierre	injuries
198	Cripe	Robert	M.		St. Pierre	injuries
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Alpha Victim I	ndex					
last name	first name	middle initial	e suffix	plaintiff number	attorney	Injury
Anderson	Kevin			33	Mandell/Wistow	death
Angers	Stacie	3.		9	Jones	death
Arpin	John	R.		100	Jones	injuries
Arruda	Christopher	G.		76	Minicucci	death
Arruda	Elizabeth			85	Jones	injuries
Avilez	Eugene			7	Jones	death
Baker	Mary	н.		17	Mandell/Wistow	death
Barber	Joseph	P.		112	Jones	injuries
Barlow	Robert	A.		133	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Barnett	Thomas	Α.		4	Jones	death
Beauchaine	Laureen			34	Mandell/Wistow	death
Beauchaine	Ray	F.	Jr.	159	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Beers	Kerrie-Lynn			93	Jones	injuries
Beese	Kevin	J.	Sr.	102	Jones	injuries
Belson	Julie			160	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Bertolo	Paul			221	Minicucci	injuries
Blom	Kevin			161	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Blom	Steven			35	Mandell/Wistow	death
Bonardi	William	c.	III	18	Mandell/Wistow	death
Brennan	David	D.		197	St. Pierre	injuries
Brown	Kristen	A.		134	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Bump	Milisa			162	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Cabral	Richard	•	Jr.	36	Mandell/Wistow	death
Canillas	Francis	J.	•	94	Jones	injuries
Cardillo	Kathleen	M.		194	Breggia	injuries
Cardillo	Mario	В.		193	Breggia	injuries
Cartwright	William	w.		37	Mandell/Wistow	death
Chamberlin	Susan	н.		82	Jones	injuries
Choquette	Jennifer			163	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Ciccone	David			95	Jones	injuries
Clarke	Patricia	L.		135	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Companatico	Gennaro			136	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Conant	Nicole			164	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Conant	Stephanie			165	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Conway	Arthur	J.	III	166	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Cook	Richard			137	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Corbett	Edward	В.	Jr.	71	St. Pierre	death
Cordier	Michael			38	Mandeli/Wistow	death
Costa	Christopher	,		105	Jones rue Coj	i <b>njuries</b> ov Attest
Cripe	Robert	M.		198	St. Pierre	Injuries

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Crisostomi	Alfred	c.		19	Mandell/Wistow	death
Cristina	Joseph			218	Minicucci	injuries
Cronin	Neil	E.		199	St. Pierre	injuries
Croteau	Robert	J.		16	Jones	death
Cushman	Robert			167	Mandell/Wistow	injur <b>ie</b> s
D'Andrea	Lisa			.39	Mandell/Wistow	death
Darby	Matthew	P.		64	Breggia	death
Dell	Shauna			168	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
DelSanto	Richard			138	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
DeMaio	Dina	A.		72	St. Pierre	death
Demos	Jose	R.		90	Jones	injuries
DiBona	Joseph	A.	Jr.	139	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
DiBonaventura	Albert			14	Jones	death
DiRienzo	Christina			40	Mandell/Wistow	death
du Fosse'	Paul			99	Jones	injuries
Dufour	Gregory	Scott	•	119	Jones	injuries
Dufour	Richard		Jr.	170	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Dufresne	James			171	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Dunbar	Scott			121	Jones	injuries
Dunn	Kevin			20	Mandell/Wistow	death
Durante	Lori	K.		21	Mandell/Wistow	death
Dussault	Matthew			220	Minicucci	injuries
Ervanian	Edward	E.		79	Minicucci	death
Fairbairn	Andrea	F.		89	Jones	injuries
Fairbairn	John	F.		88	Jones	injuries
Feeney	Robert	P.		196	Mancuso	injuries
Fick	Charline	E.		41	Mandell/Wistow	death
Fisher	Linda	M.		140	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Fleming	Thomas	J.		42	Mandell/Wistow	death
Florio-DePietro	Rachel	K.		43	Mandell/Wistow	death
Flynn	Joseph	M.		141	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Fontaine	Mark	A.		77	Minicucci	death
Fontaine	Melanie			215	Minicucci	injuries
Fravala	Brandon			124	Jones	injuries
Fravala	David			125	Jones	injuries
Frederickson	Daniel			15	Jones	death
Fresolo	Michael			11	Jones	death
Gahan	James	c.	IV ·	44	Mandell/Wistow	death
Gaumitz	Rodney	J.		114	Jones rue Copy Atte	
Gauvin	Gina	М.		191	Redihan # 8 5	injuries

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last name	first name	middle	plaintiff		Injust		
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Gershelis	Irina	М.	113	Jones	injuries		
Gibbs	John		172	Mandell/Wistow	injuries		
Gillett	Laura	L.	68	Breggia	death		
Giroux-Brown	Georgette	_	106	Jones	injuries		
Gooden	James	F.	22	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Gordon	Karen	M.	200	St. Pierre	injuries		
Gordon	Paul	. R.	201	St. Pierre	injuries		
Gould	Paula		101	Jones	injuries		
Grace	Richard	J.	117	Jones	injuries		
Gray	Derek		1	Jones	death		
Gray	Gregory		173	Mandell/Wistow	injuries		
Greene	Scott	C.	45	Mandeli/Wistow	death		
Griffith	Scott	S.	46	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Hale	Lisa	C.	142	Mandell/Wistow	injuries		
Hall	Grant		174	Mandell/Wistow	injuries		
Hamelin	Bonnie	L.	23	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Harrington	Robert		132	Jones	injuries		
Hoban	Andrew	R.	24	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Hoisington	Abbie	L.	47	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Hoogasian	Michael	В.	25	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Hoogasian	Sandy	L,	26	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Howorth	Carlton	L. III	48	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Hussey	Laurie	A.	143	Mandell/Wistow	injuries		
Hyer	Eric	J.	66	Breggia	death		
Iannone	Michael		175	Mandell/Wistow	injuries		
Jacavone-Mancini		L.	74	St. Pierre	death		
Johnson	Derek	В.	73	St. Pierre	death		
Jones	Joseph	Α.	202	St. Pierre	injuries		
Karvonen	Lee	Α.	203	St. Pierre	injuries		
Kelly	Lisa		49	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Kelly	Tawnya		118	Jones	Injuries		
Kinan	Joseph	к.	87	Jones	injuries		
King	Tracy	F.	50	Mandell/Wistow	death		
Krasinskas	Adrian		176	Mandell/Wistow	injuries		
Kudryk	John		123	Jones	injuries		
Kulz	Michael	J.	51	Mandell/Wistow	death		
LaBree	Theresia	М.	204	St. Pierre	injuries		
Labiee	Keith	R.	52	Mandell/Wistowe Cor	y dettest		
Latulippe	Dale	L.	27	Mandell/Wistow //	peagh		
Libera	Stephen	<u>.</u> М.	78	Minicucci #	death h		
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Petrin	Jonathan			152	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Pezzelli	Edward		Jr.	110	Jones	injuries
Pezzelli	Paul			111	Jones	injuries
Pinkham	John	s.		208	St. Pierre	injuries
Piscopio	Jason			153	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Poland	Ashley	Α.		217	Minicucci	injuries
Pomfret	Hollie	A.		128	Jones	injuries
Pomfret	Justin			129	Jones	injuries
Potvin	Victoria	L.		209	St. Pierre	injuries
Precourt	Robin			182	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Prete	Roberta	J.		108	Jones	injuries
Prouty	Christopher			32	Mandell/Wistow	death
Prudhomme	Al			130	Jones	injuries
Prudhomme	Charlene			131	Jones	injuries
Pucino	Erin			226	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Rager	Robert	w.		86	Jones	injuries
Rakoski	Theresa	L.		56	Mandell/Wistow	death
Rancourt	William			219	Minicucci	injuries
Randali	Catherine			109	Jones	injuries
Reis	Donna			115	Jones	injuries
Reisner	Robert	L.	III	57	Mandell/Wistow	death
Rezendes	John	Α.		154	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Richard	Claude			169	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Rock	Kerrie	A.		210	St. Pierre	injuries
Romanoff	Tracey	L.		65a	Breggia	death
Romanoff	Tracey	L.		65b	St. Pierre	death
Rossano	Timothy	J.		211	St. Pierre	injuries
Russo	Gina	-		183	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Sagesta	Catherine	c.		155	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Sanetti	Bridget	М.		67	Breggia	death
Schmidt	Jon	R.	•	97	Jones	injuries
Schoepfer	Ronald	s.		116	Jones	injuries
Servis	Milton		11	184	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Shaw	Rebecca			58	Mandell/Wistow	death
Shubert	Mitchell			13a,b &c	Jones	death
Shubert	Mitchell	•		13d & e	Mandell/Wistow	death
Silva	Derrick			185	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Sippy	Erik			186	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Smith	Dennis	J.		75	St. Pierre	death 💡
Solitro	George			156	Mandell/Wistow	ttesinjuries
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last name	first name	middle initial	suffix	plaintiff number	attorney	Injury
St. Hilaire	Tammy	M.		195	Breggla	injuries
Stark	Victor	L.		59	Mandell/Wistow	death
Steets	David			187	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Stefani	Michael	•		127	Jones	injuries
Stein	Gary			157	Mandeli/Wistow	injuries
Stephenson	Melissa	A.		158	Mandeli/Wistow	injuries
Stowers	Jennifer	L.		70	Mancuso	death
Suffoletto	Benjamin	J.	Jr.	60	Mandell/Wistow	death
Suffoletto	Linda	D.		61	Mandell/Wistow	death
Sullivan	Kathleen			80	Jones	injuries
Sylvester	Jason			225	Mandell/Wistow	death
Trautz	Nancy	s.		212	St. Pierre	injuries
Travis	Christopher	J.		96	Jones	injuries
Trudeau	Donald	N.		224	St. Pierre	injuries
Vallante	Fredrick	P.	Jr.	92	Jones	injuries
Van Deusen	John	F.	III	83	Jones	injuries
Vargas	Raul			188	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Vieira	Jennifer			189	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Vieira	Kelly	Lynn		6	Jones	death
Vieira	Scott	J.		81	Jones	injuries
Wagner	Debra			190	Mandell/Wistow	injuries
Washburn	Kevin	R.		62	Mandell/Wistow	death
Wigginton	John	D.		120	Jones	injuries
Williams	Donovan			213	St. Pierre	injuries
Wilson	Sharon	A.		214	St. Pierre	injuries
Woodmansee	Everett	T.	III	63	Mandell/Wistow	death
Young	Robert	D.		8	Jones	death
Zannella	Stephanie			107	Jones	injuries

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attarnov.	last name	first name	middle initial	suffix	plaintiff number	Injury
attorney Breggla	Cardillo	Kathleen	M.		194	injuries
Breggia	Cardillo	Mario	В.		193	injuries
Breggia Breggia	Darby	Matthew	Р.		64	death
Breggia Breggia	Gillett	Laura	L.	•	68	death
	Нуег	Eric	J.		66	death
Breggia	Moresco	Scott	C.		192	injuries
Breggia	Romanoff	Tracey	L.		65a	death
Breggia	Sanetti	Bridget	<u>-</u> . М.		67	death
Breggia	St. Hilaire	Tammy	и. М.		195	injuries
Breggia		Stacie	J.		9	death
Jones	Angers	John	R.		100	injuries
Jones	Arpin Arruda	Elizabeth			85	injuries
Jones	Avilez	Eugene	•		7	death
Jones	Barber	Joseph	P.		112	injuries
Jones	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Thomas	Α.		4	death
Jones	Barnett		Λ.		93	injuries
Jones	Beers	Kerrie-Lynn	-	C	102	injuries
Jones	Beese	Kevin	J.	Sr.	94	injuries
Jones	Canillas	Francis	J.		82	injuries
Jones	Chamberlin	Susan	н.		95	<del>-</del>
Jones	Ciccone	David				injuries
Jones	Costa	Christopher	-		105	injuries
Jones	Croteau	Robert	J.		16	death
Jones	Demos	Jose	R.		90	injuries
Jones	DiBonaventura	Albert			14	death
Jones	du Fosse'	Paul			.99	injuries
Jones	Dufour	Gregory	Scott		119	injuries
Jones	Dunbar	Scott			121	injuries
Jones	Fairbairn	Andrea	F.		89	injuries
Jones	Fairbairn	John	F.		88	injuries
Jones	Fravala	Brandon			124	injuries
Jones	Fravala	David			125	injuries
Jones	Frederickson	Daniel			15	death
Jones	Fresolo	Michael			11	death
Jones	Gaumitz	Rodney	J.		114	injuries
Jones	Gershells	Irina	. <b>M.</b>		tue Copy	Atimistries of infaries
Jones	Giroux-Brown	Georgette			106	interiors h
Jones	Gould	Paula			101/1	of <b>peavi</b> dence & I
Jones	Grace	Richard	J.		11 <b>V</b> '	Cle <b>intufies</b> perior of <b>peri</b> dence & I nceinthinese Islan
Jones	Gray	Derek		•	Counties	of peavidence Island neeinfunds
Jones	Harrington	Robert			132 Drovider	nceinfuries -

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attorney	last name	first name	middle initial	suffix	plaintiff number	Injury		
Jones	Kelly	Tawnya	61. M 24. W.	160	118	injuries		
Jones	Kinan	Joseph	K.		87	injuries		
Jones	Kudryk	John			123	injuries		
Jones	Loftus	Brian			104	injuries		
Jones	Longley	Ту			12	death		
lones	Lusardi	Joseph			122	injuries		
Jones	Luxton	Robert	<b>'</b> J.		84	injuries		
Jones	MacDonald	David	В.		98	injuries		
Jones	Marion	Thomas	Frank	Jr.	10	death		
Jones	Mitchell	Donna	M.		5	death		
Jones	Morton	Jason	R.		3	death		
Jones	Nobles	Cynthia	Α.		222	injuries		
Jones	Nobles	Edward	D.		223	injuries		
Jones	O'Donneli	Shaun			103	injuries		
Jones	O'Melia	Roberta			91	injuries		
Jones	O'Neili	Nicholas	•		2	death		
Jones	Petrarca	Robin			126	injuries		
Jones	Pezzelli	Edward		Зг.	110	injuries		
Jones	Pezzelli	Paul			111	injuries		
Jones	Pomfret	Hollie	A.		128	injuries		
Jones	Pomfret	Justin			129	injuries		
Jones	Prete	Roberta	J.		108	injuries		
Jones	Prudhomme	Al	•		130	injuries		
Jones	Prudhomme	Charlene			131	injuries		
Jones	Rager	Robert	W.		86	injuries		
Jones	Randali	Catherine	• .		109	injuries		
	Reis	Donna			115	injuries		
Jones	Schmidt	Jon	R.		97	injuries		
Jones Jones	Schoepfer	Ronald	S.		116	injuries		
Jones	Shubert	Mitchell			13a,b &c	death		
Jones	Stefani	Michael	•		127	injuries		
Jones	Sullivan	Kathleen			80	injuries		
Jones	Travis	Christopher	J.		96	injuries		
Jones	Vallante	Fredrick	Р.	Jr.	92	injuries		
Jones	Van Deusen	John	F.	III	83	injuries		
Jones	Vieira	Kelly	Lynn		6	death		
Jones	Vieira	Scott	J.		81	injuries		
Jones	Wigginton	John	D.		120	injuries		
Jones	Young	Robert	D.		8 <sub></sub>	esdeath		
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Mancuso	Feeney	Robert	Ρ.		196	injuries		
Mancuso	Martin	Jeffrey	Wood		69	death		
Mancuso	Stowers	Jennifer	L.		70	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Anderson	Kevin			33	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Baker	Mary	н.		17	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Barlow	Robert	Α.		133	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Beauchaine	Laureen			34	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Beauchaine	Ray	F.	Jr.	159	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Belson	Julie			160	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Blom	Kevin		•	161	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Blom	Steven			35	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Bonardi	William	c.	III	18	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Brown	Kristen	<b>A.</b>		134	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Bump	Milisa			162	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Cabral	Richard	•	Jr.	36	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Cartwright	William	w.		37	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Choquette	Jennifer			163	injuries		
Mandeli/Wistow	Clarke	Patricia	L.		135	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Companatico	Gennaro	•		136	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Conant	Nicole			164	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Conant	Stephanie			165	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Conway	Arthur	J.	III	166	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Cook	Richard			137	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Cordier	Michael			38	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Crisostomi	Alfred	c.		19	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Cushman	Robert			167	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	D'Andrea	Lisa	•		39	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Dell	Shauna			168	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	DelSanto	Richard			138	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	DiBona	Joseph	Α.	Jr.	139	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	DiRienzo	Christina			40	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Dufour	Richard		Зr.	170	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Dufresne	James			171	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Dunn	Kevin			20	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Durante	Lori	ĸ.		21	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Fick	Charline	E.		41	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Fisher	Linda	M.		140	injuries		
Mandell/Wistow	Fleming	Thomas	J.		42	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Florio-DePietro	Rachel	Κ.		43	death		
Mandell/Wistow	Flynn	Joseph	М.		141	injuries		
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Mandeli/Wistow	Gahan	James	c.	IV	44	death
Mandeli/Wistow	Gibbs	John			172	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Gooden	James	F.		22	death
Mandell/Wistow	Gray	Gregory			173	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Greene	Scott	c.	•	45	death
Mandeli/Wistow	Griffith	Scott	S.		46	death
Mandell/Wistow	Hale	Lisa	c.		142	injuries
Mandeil/Wistow	Hall	Grant			174	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Hamelin	Bonnie	L.		23	death
Mandell/Wistow	Hoban	Andrew	R.		24	death
Mandell/Wistow	Hoisington	Abbie	L.		47	death
Mandell/Wistow	Hoogasian	Michael	В.		25	death
Mandell/Wistow	Hoogasian	Sandy	Ĺ.		26	death
Mandell/Wistow	Howorth	Carlton	L.	III	48	death
Mandell/Wistow	Hussey	Laurie	A.		143	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Iannone	Michael			175	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Kelly	Lisa			49	death
Mandell/Wistow	King	Tracy	F.		50	death
Mandell/Wistow	Krasinskas	Adrian			176	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Kulz	Michael	J.		51	death
Mandell/Wistow	Lapierre	Keith	R.		52	death
Mandell/Wistow	Latulippe	Dale	L.		27	death
Mandeli/Wistow	LoBianco	Joseph			177	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Longiaru	John	M.		28	death
Mandell/Wistow	Lucier	Marc	A.		144	injuries
Mandeli/Wistow	Mallette	Matthew			145	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Mancini	Keith	Α.		29	death
Mandell/Wistow	Mancini	Steven	R.		30	death
Mandeli/Wistow	Mangan	John		Jr.	146	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	McGinn	David			178	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	McMurray	Frances	Ρ.		147	injuries
Mandeli/Wistow	McQuarrie	Kristen	L.		53	death
Mandell/Wistow	Moreau	Leigh	Ann		54	death
Mandell/Wistow	Morin	Ryan	M.		31	death
Mandell/Wistow	Moscynski	Beth	•		55	death
Mandell/Wistow	Nowicki	Christopher	J.		148	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Peduzzi	Deborah			179	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Pelletier	Paul	М.		149	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Perreault	Michael			150	injuries
Mandell/Wistow	Perry	Dawn			rueoCopy A	
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Minicucci	Poland	Ashley	Α.		217	injuries		
Minicucci	Rancourt	William			219	injuries		
Redihan	Gauvin	Gina	М.		191	injuries		
St. Pierre	Brennan	David	D.		197	injuries		
St. Pierre	Corbett	Edward	В.	Jr.	71	death		
St. Pierre	Cripe	Robert	M.		198	injuries		
St. Pierre	Cronin	Neil	E.		199	injuries		
St. Pierre	DeMaio	Dina	Α.		72	death		
St. Pierre	Gordon	Karen	M.		200	injuries		
St. Pierre	Gordon	Paul	R.		201	injuries		
St. Pierre	Jacavone-Mancini	Andrea	L.		74	death		
St. Pierre	Johnson	Derek	. <b>B.</b>		73	death		
St. Pierre	Jones	Joseph	A.		202	injuries		
St. Pierre	Karvonen	Lee	A.		203	injuries		
St. Pierre	LaBree	Theresia	M.		204	injuries		
St. Pierre	Minor	Melissa	<b>J.</b>		205	injuries		
St. Pierre	Oberg	Charles	A.		206	injuries		
St. Pierre	Ormerod	Linda	A.		207	injuries		
St. Pierre	Pinkham	John	s.	•	208	injuries		
St. Pierre	Potvin	Victoria	L.		209	injuries		
St. Pierre	Rock	Kerrie	A.		210	injuries		
St. Pierre	Romanoff	Tracey	L.		65b	death		
St. Pierre	Rossano	Timothy	J.	•	211	injuries		
St. Pierre	Smith	Dennis	J.		75	death		
St. Pierre	Trautz	Nancy	s.		212	injuries		
St. Pierre	Trudeau	Donald	N.		224	injuries		
St. Pierre	Williams	Donovan			213	injuries		
St. Pierre	Wilson	Sharon	A.		214	injuries		

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#### Form 1A. Notice of lawsuit and request for waiver of service of summons.

TO: Diane DeRuosi, in her capacity as Treasurer of the Town of West Warwick c/o Marc DeSisto, Esq., 211 Angell Street, Providence, RI 02906.

A lawsuit has been commenced against the entity on whose behalf you are addressed. A copy of the complaint is attached to this notice. It has been filed in the Superior Court of Rhode Island for the County of Providence and has been assigned docket number C.A. 04-3985.

This is not a formal summons or notification from the court, but rather our request that you sign and return the enclosed waiver of service in order to save the cost of serving you with a judicial summons and an additional copy of the complaint. The cost of service will be avoided if we receive a signed copy of the waiver within thirty (30) days after the date designated below as the date on which this Notice and Request is sent. We enclose a stamped and addressed envelope for your use. An extra copy of the waiver is also attached for your records.

If you comply with this request and return the signed waiver, it will be filed with the court and no summons will be served on you. The action will then proceed as if you had been served on the date the waiver is filed, except that you will not be obligated to answer the complaint before 60 days from the date designated below as the date on which this notice is sent.

If you do not return the signed waiver within the time indicated, we will take appropriate steps to effect formal service in a manner authorized by the Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure and will then, to the extent authorized by the Rules, ask the court to require the party on whose behalf you are addressed to pay the full costs of such service. In that connection, please read the statement concerning the duty of parties to waive the service of the summons, which is set forth at the foot of the waiver form.

We affirm that this request is being sent to you on behalf of the plaintiff, this 22nd day of July, 2004.

Mark S. Mandell

Co-Chair, Plaintiffs' Steering Committee

Max Wistow

Co-Chair, Plaintiffs' Steering Committee

Plaintiffs' Counsel:

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RE: The Station Club Fire

Dear Mr. DeSisto:

Please find enclosed a Complaint, a "Notice of lawsuit and request for waiver of service of summons" and a "Waiver of service of summons." We understand that you have been authorized by appointment pursuant to Rule 4(d)(2)(A) by your client the Town of West Warwick to accept service of process on its behalf and to execute the enclosed waiver of service of summons. Please sign this letter in the space provided below to manifest your acceptance of service of process of the Complaint filed by the 226 plaintiffs who are represented by the eight (8) attorneys and law firms as are enumerated in the enclosed Complaint and as are listed below. Your signature also acknowledges that your acceptance of the Complaint, the "Notice of lawsuit and request for waiver of service of summons" and your executing the "Waiver of service of summons" on behalf of the Town of West Warwick satisfies the requirements of Rule 4 including but not limited to Rules 4(d) and 4(e)(5). Please complete the enclosed "Waiver of service of summons" and return it in the self-addressed, stamped, envelope.

Marc DeSisto, Esq.

Counsel for Diane DeRuosi, in her capacity as Treasurer of the Town of West Warwick and for the Town of West Warwick

Plaintiffs' Counsel:

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Steven A. Minicucci, Esquire Calvino Law Associates 373 Elmwood Avenue Providence, RI 02907 Plaintiffs #76 through #79, inclusive and #215 through #221, inclusive

Michael A. St. Pierre, Esquire Revens, Revens & St. Pierre, P.C. 946 Centerville Road Warwick, RI 02886 Plaintiffs #65(b), #71 through #75, inclusive, #196 through #215, inclusive and #224

Very truly yours, Plaintiffs' Steering Committee

Mark S/ Mandell

Co-Chair, Plaintiffs' Steering Committee

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One Park Row
Providence, RI 02903
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Charles N. Redihan, Jr., Esquire Kiernan, Plunkett & Redihan 91 Friendship Street Providence, RI 02903 Plaintiff #191

Max Wistow, Esquire John Barylick, Esquire Wistow & Barylick, Inc. 61 Weybosset Street

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#### Form 1B. Waiver of service of summons.

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I agree to save the cost of service of a summons and an additional copy of the complaint in this lawsuit by not requiring that the entity on whose behalf I am acting be served with judicial process in the manner provided by Rule 4.

The entity on whose behalf I am acting will retain all defenses or objections to the lawsuit or to the jurisdiction or venue of the court except for objections based on a defect in the summons or in the service of the summons.

I understand that a judgment may be entered against the party on whose behalf I am acting if an answer or motion under Rule 12 is not served upon you within 60 days after July 22, 2004, or within 90 days after that date if the request was sent outside the United States.

Signa

Date

Printed/typed name: Marc DeSisto, Esquire

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Duty to Avoid Unnecessary Costs of Service of Summons

Rule 4 of the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules requires certain parties to cooperate in saving unnecessary costs of service of the summons and complaint. A defendant located in the United States who, after being notified of an action and asked by a plaintiff located in the United States to waive service of a summons, fails to do so will be required to bear the costs of such service unless good cause be shown for the party's failure to sign and return the waiver.

It is not good cause for a failure to waive service that a party believes that the complaint is unfounded on the action has been brought in an improper place or in a court that lacks jurisdiction over the subject matter of the action or over its person or property. A party who waives service of the summons retains all defenses and objections exceptions relating to the summons or to the service of the summons), and may later object to the jurisdiction of the source or to the place where the action has been brought.

A defendant who waives service must within the time specified on the waiver form serve on the plaintiffs attorney of Bristol unrepresented plaintiff) a response to the complaint and must also file a signed copy of the response with the court in ode Island to the answer or motion is not served within this time, a default judgment may be taken against that defendant. By waiving service, a defendant is allowed more time to answer than if the summons had been actually served when the request for waiver of service was received.

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- Albert L. Gray, Adm. of the Estate of Derek Gray and contichalfor Jani L. Gray McGill minor child of the decedent Deck Gray. Joanne O'Neill, Adm. of the Estate of Nicholas
- O'Nelli
- Marie O. Morton, Adm. of the Estate of Jason R. Morton, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Jason R. Morton, and as mother and mext friend of Kaitlin Marie Morton and Ashley Marie Morton, minor children of the decedent Jason R. Morton;

Angel O. Amittano, Adm. of the Estate of Thomas A. Barnett.

Joanne La Mitchell and William Mitchell, Co Adm. of the Essie of Donna M. Mitoliell, and loame L. Mitchell, as guardian and next friend of Brooklyn Belanger and Toslynn Belanger, minor children of the decedent, Donna M. Mitchell

Scott J. Vicira, Adm. of the Estate of Kelly 6. Lynn Vicira, and as husband and surviving spouse of the decedent, Kelly Lynn Vicina, and as father and next friend of Crystle Viera, minor child of the decedent, Kelly Lynn Vieira;

Patricia Avilez, Adm. of the Estate of Eugene 7. Avilez

Jennifer L. Young, Adm. of the Estate of Robert 8. Daniel Young and as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Robert Daniel Young.

Leonard Angers, Adm. of the Estate of Stacie I 9. Angers:

Dorothy Marion, Adm. of the Estate of Thomas 10. Frank Marion, Jr.;

Yvotte Fresole, on behalf of the Estate of 11. Michael Presolo, and as wife and surviving. spouse of the decedent, Michael Fresolo, and as mother and next friend of Maria Fresolo and Emily Fresolo, minor children of the decedent Michael Fresolo;

Heidi Peralta Longley, as parent of and for the 12. benefit of Acevity Longley, minor child of the decedent Ty Longley;

Katherine Shubert, on behalf of the Estate of 13.

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Mitchell Shubert; and as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Mitchell Shubert, and as mother and next friend of Melissa Cara Shubert, minor child of the decedent, Mitchell Shubert; Maryanne Shubert, as minor daughter at the time of death of Mitchell Shubert, and Laura Shubert, as mother and next friend of Mitchell J. Shubert, Jr., minor child of the decedent, Mitchell Shubert;

- 14. Eileen L. DiBonaventura, Adm. of the Estate of Albert DiBonaventura;
- 15. Donna DeBoard, Adm. of the Estate of Daniel Frederickson, and on behalf of Amanda Frederickson, Ryan Frederickson and Amber Frederickson, minor children of the decedent, Daniel Frederickson;
- Judith Marie Croteau, on behalf of the Estate of her son, Robert J. Croteau;
- 17. Warren L. Baker, III and John J. Decosta, III, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Mary H. Baker and John J. Decosta, III as the natural and legal guardian of the persons and estates of Alison M. Decosta, John R. Decosta, Scott A. Decosta and Michael J. Decosta, minor children of the decedent, Mary H. Baker, and Warren L. Baker, III, as husband and surviving spouse of Mary H. Baker:
- Dorothy E. Bonardi, Adm. of the Estate of William C. Bonardi, III;
- 19. Denise M. McGregor and Nancy Depasquale,
  Co-Adm. of the Estate of Alfred C. Crisostomi
  and Denise M. McGregor as mother and next
  friend of Brandon M. Crisostomi, minor child of
  the decedent, Alfred C. Crisostomi;
- 20. Eileen Dunn as surviving spouse of Kevin Dunn and mother and next friend of Joanna Dunn, minor child of the decedent, Kevin Dunn;
- 21. Anthony J. Durante as father and next friend of Anthony Durante and Matthew Durante, minor children and wrongful death beneficiaries of the decedent. Lori K. Durante;
- 22. Loriann Gooden, Adm. of the Estate of James F. Gooden, and Loriann Gooden, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, James F. Gooden;

23. Claire H. Bruyere, Adm. of the Estate of Bonnie

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John M. Hoban, Adm. of the Estate of Andrew 24. R. Hoban:

Paula A. McLaughlin, Adm. of the Estate of 25. Michael B. Hoogasian;

Paula A. McLaughlin, Adm of the Estate of 26. Sandy L. Hoogasian;

Maria Latulippe, Adm. of the Estate of Dale L. 27. Latulippe and as the natural and legal guardian of the person and estate of Dustin T. Latulippe, minor child of the decedent, Dale L. Latulippe, and Maria Latulippe, Individually as wife and surviving spouse of Dale L. Latulippe;

John A. Longiaru and Sus Longiaru, Co-Adm. 28. of the Estate of John M. Longiaru;

Sarah R. Mancini and Anthony B. Mancini, Co-29. Adm. of the Estate of Keith A. Mancini.

Barbara Magness, Adm. of the Estate of Steven 30. R. Mancini:

Paul A. Morin, Adm. of the Estate of Ryan M. 31.

Roderick Prouty and Nancy A. Lee, Co-Adm. of 32. the Estate of Christopher Prouty and Paula Woodcock as mother and next friend of Makayla Woodcock the minor child of the decedent Christopher Prouty;

Susan Sylvia, Adm. of the Estate of Kevin 33. Anderson, and Melinda Bloomingburgh, as mother and next friend of Kevin Gage, minor child of the decedent, Kevin Anderson;

Ray F. Beauchaine, Sr., Adm. of the Estate of Laureen Beauchaine, Ray Beauchaine, Jr., individually as husband and surviving spouse of the decedent, Laureen Beauchaine, and Ray Beauchaine, Jr., as father and next friend of Ray F. Beauchaine, III, Christopher R. Beauchaine and Ashley Beauchaine, minor children of the decedent, Laureen Beauchaine

Sally Blom and Rolland Blom, Co-Adm. of the 35. Estate of Steven Blom, and Sharon Colpitts as mother and next friend of Steven Blom, Jr., a minor child of the decedent, Steven Blom;

Catherine Cabral, Adm. of the Estate of Richard 36. Cabral, Jr., Catherine Cabral, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Richard Cabral, Jr., and Catherine Cabral, as

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- mother and next friend of Christine Cabral and Richard Cabral, III, minor children of the decedent, Richard Cabral, Jr.;
- 37. William H. Cartwright, Jr., Adm. of the Estate of William W. Cartwright;
- 38. Katherine Cordier and Ronald J. Cordier, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Michael Cordier;
- 39. Mark D'Andrea, Adm. of the Estate of Lisa D'Andrea;
- 40. Peter M. DiRienzo, Adm. of the Estate of
  Christina DiRienzo, Peter M. DiRienzo,
  individually as husband and surviving spouse of
  the decedent, Christina DiRienzo, Peter M.
  DiRienzo, as father and next friend of Beau
  DiRienzo, minor child of the decedent, Christina
  DiRienzo, and Peter M. DiRienzo, Jr., as minor
  son of the deceased, Christina DiRienzo at the
  time of her death;
- 41. Lawrence E. Fick, Adm. of the Estate of Charline E. Fick, and Lawrence E. Fick, as father and next friend of Samantha Fick and William Fick, minor children of the decedent, Charline E. Fick;
- 42. Timothy J. Fleming, Adm. of the Estate of Thomas J. Fleming;
- 43. Dean DePietro, Adm. of the Estate of Rachel K. Florio-DePietro, and Dean DePietro, as father and next friend of Adrian DePietro, a minor child of the decedent, Rachel K. Florio-DePietro;
- James C. Gahan, III, Adm. of the Estate of James C. Gahan, IV;
- 45. Sandra L. Greene, Adm. of the Estate of Scott C. Greene, and Sandra L. Greene, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Scott C. Greene;
- 46. Bruce G. Pollock, Esq., Adm. of the Estate of Scott S. Griffith, and Nancene Cohen as guardian of the Estate and next friend of Kacie L. Griffith, a minor child of the decedent, Scott S. Griffith;
- 47. Bonnie A. Hoisington, Adm. of the Estate of Abbie I. Hoisington;
- 48. Carlton L. Howorth, Jr., Adm. of the Estate of Carlton L. Howorth, III, and Karen E. Howorth, as mother and next friend of Elizabeth Howorth,

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a minor child of the decedent, Carlton L. Howorth, III;

George F. Phelan, Esq., Special Adm. of the 49. Estate of Lisa Kelly:

- Evelyn L. King, Adm. of the Estate of Tracy F. 50. King, Evelyn L. King, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Tracy F. King, Evelyn L. King, as mother and next friend of Joshua King and Jacob King, minor children of the decedent, Tracy F. King and Rozilyn Guy, as mother and next friend of Jordan King, minor child of the decedent, Tracy F. King;
- Barbara A. Kulz and George A. Kulz, Co-Adm. 51. of the Estate of Michael J. Kulz;
- Tammy Lapierre, Adm. of the Estate of Keith R. 52. Lapierre, Tammy Lapierre, individually as wife and surviving spouse of the decedent, Keith R. Lapierre, and Tammy Lapierre, as mother and next friend of Ryan S. Lapierre and Sarah R. Lapierre, minor children of the decedent, Keith R. Lapierre;

Judith Carver, Adm. of the Estate of Kristen L. 53. McQuarrie:

Richard Moreau and Jean Moreau, Co-Adm. of 54. the Estate of Leigh Ann Moreau;

Michael Reno, Esq., Adm. of the Estate of Beth 55. Mosczynski:

- Richard H. Rakoski, Adm., of the Estate of 56. Theresa L. Rakoski, and Richard H. Rakoski, individually as husband and surviving spouse of the decedent, Theresa L. Rakoski;
- Judy O'Brien, Adm. of the Estate of Robert L. 57. Reisner. III:
- John J. Shaw, Exec. of the Estate of Rebecca 58. Shaw:
- Voda Kerr, Adm. of the Estate of Victor L. 59. Stark:
- Zachary S. Suffoletto and Diana L. 60. Shaughnessy, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Benjamin J. Suffoletto, Jr.;
- Zachary S. Suffoletto and Diana L.. 61. Shaughnessy, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Linda D. Suffoletto:
- Honorina Washburn, Adm. of the Estate of 62. Kevin R. Washburn;
- Cheryl Haines, Adm. of the Estate of Everett T. 63.

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Woodmansee, III;

64. Melinda J. Darby, Adm. of the Estate of Matthew P. Darby, individually and as natural parent, next friend and guardian of Jessica L. Darby and Sarah M. Darby, minor children of the decedent. Matthew P. Darby;

65. Susan W. Romanoff, Ex. of the Estate of Tracey
L. Romanoff and Jordan Blasbalg as guardian of
Joshua Blasbalg and Lindsey Blasbalg, minor
children of the decedent, Tracey Romanoff;

66. Mark P. Hyer, Sr., Adm. of the Estate of Eric J. Hyer;

67. Annmarie Swidwa, Adm. of the Estate of Bridget M. Sanetti;

- 68. Stephen A. Gillett, Adm. of the Estate of Laura L. Gillett, individually and as father, next friend and permanent legal guardian of Jake T. Gillett and Jared J. Gillet, minor children of the decedent, Laura L. Gillett;
- 69. Suzanne Fox, Adm. of the Estate of Jeffrey Wood Martin:
- 70. Ellen-Marie Stowers, Adm. of the Estate of Jennifer L. Stowers
- 71. Sharon Eaton, Adm. of the Estate of Edward B. Corbett, III;
- 72. Patricia Belanger, Ex. of the Estate of Dina A.
  DeMaio and Steven Beardsworth, temporary
  guardian of Justin Perry, minor child of the
  decedent, Dina A. DeMaio;
- 73. Robert J. Johnson, Sr., Adm. of the Estate of Derek B. Johnson;
- 74. Jacqueline Jacavone, Adm. of the Estate of Andrea L. Jacavone-Mancini;
- 75. Leo Smith and Doris Smith as Co-Adm. of the Estate of Dennis J. Smith;
- 76. Korina Arruda, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Christopher G. Arruda and as surviving spouse of the decedent. Christopher G. Arruda;
- 77. Gerard W. Fontaine and Rosanna C. Fontaine, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Mark A. Fontaine;
- 78. John J. Libera and Joanne T. Libera, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Stephen Matthew Libera;
- 79. Edward C. Ervanian as Adm. of the Estate of Edward E. Ervanian;
- 80. Kathleen Sullivan;
- 81. Scott J. Vieira, individually and as father and

- next friend of Crystle Vicira, his minor child;
- Susan H. Chamberlin; 82.
- John F. Van Deusen III, individually and as 83. father and next friend of John F. Van Deusen IV and Dylan Van Deusen, minor children of John F. Van Deusen III;
- Robert J. Luxton: 84.
- Elizabeth Arruda, individually and as mother 85. and next friend of Zoey Retamoza, minor child of Elizabeth Arruda;
- Robert W. Rager; 86.
- Joseph K. Kinan individually and Joseph K. 87. Kinan and Maureen Sullivan, as parents and next friends of Kaitlin E. Sullivan, a minor;
- John F. Fairbairn, individually and as father and 88. next friend of John Fairbairn and Ariana Fairbaim, minor children of John F. Fairbaim;
- Andrea F. Fairbaim, individually and as mother 89. and next friend of John Fairbairn, Ariana Fairbairn, Amanda Melendez Durfee and Christopher Melendez Durfee, minor children of Andrea F. Fairbairn:
- Jose Roberto Demos, individually and as father 90. and next friend of Vanessa Santos Demos and Samuel Santos Dernos, minor children of Jose Roberto Demos:
- Roberta O'Melia, individually and as mother 91. and next friend of Brendan O'Melia and Christian O'Melia, minor children of Roberta O'Melia:
- Fredrick P. Vallante, Jr., individually and as 92. father and next friend of Caitlyn Vallante and Courtney Vallante, minor children of Fredrick P. Vallante, Jr.;
- Kerrie-Lynn Beers, individually and as mother 93. and next friend of Jeremy T. Beers, minor child of Kerrie-Lynn Beers;
- Francis J. Canillas; 94.
- David Ciccone; 95.
- Christopher J. Travis; 96.
- Jon R. Schmidt, individually and as father and 97. next friend of Ryan Schmidt and Evan Schmidt, minor children of Jon R. Schmidt;
- David B. MacDonald, individually and as father 98. and next friend of David B. MacDonald, Jr., minor child of David B. MacDonald;

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- Paul du Fosse; 99.
- John R. Arpin, individually and as father and 100. next friend of Ryan Arpin and Matthew Arpin, minor children of John R. Arpin;
- Paula Gould: 101.
- Kevin J. Beese, Sr., individually and as father 102. and next friend of Taylor Beese, Brittany Beese and Kevin Beese, Jr., minor children of Kevin J. Beese, Sr.;
- Shaun O'Donnell; 103.
- Brian Loftus; 104.
- Christopher Costa, individually and as father 105. and next friend of Leah Elizabeth Costa Turck, minor child of Christopher Costa;
- Georgette Giroux-Brown, individually and as 106. mother and next friend of Ben Giroux-Brown, minor child of Georgette Giroux-Brown;
- Stephanie Zannella; 107.
- Roberta J. Prete, individually and as mother and 108. next friend of Michael Falco, minor child of Roberta J. Prete;
- Catherine Randall, individually and as mother 109. and next friend of Douglas Randall and Meagan Randall, minor children of Catherine Randall;
- Edward Pezzelli, Jr., individually and as father 110. and next friend of Edward Pezzelli III and Hannah Pezzelli, minor children of Edward Pezzelli, Jr.;
- Paul Pezzelli, individually and as father and 111. next friend of Megan Pezzelli and Kyle Pezzelli, minor children of Paul Pezzelli;
- Joseph P. Barber, individually and as father and 112. next friend of Max Leili and Brandon Tully, minor children of Joseph P. Barber;
- Irina M. Gershelis, individually and as mother 113. and next friend of Brentin St. Jean and Colner St. Jean, minor children of Irina M. Gershelis;
- Rodney J. Gaurnitz, individually and as father 114. and next friend of Tyler Gaumitz and Collin Gaumitz, minor children of Rodney J. Gaumitz;
- Donna Reis: 115.
- Ronald S. Schoepfer, 116.
- Richard J. Grace: 117.
- Tawnya Kelly, individually and as mother and 118. next friend of Andrew A. Jones and Aryanna F. Greene, minor children of Tawnya Kelly;

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- Gregory Scott Dufour, individually and as father 119. and next friend of Ashley A. DuFour, minor child of Gregory Scott Dufour;
- John D. Wigginton; 120.
- Scott Dunbar: 121.
- Joseph Lusardi; 122.
- John Kudryk; 123.
- Brandon Fravala, individually and as father and 124. next friend of Nicholas James Douglas Fravala, minor child of Brandon Fravala;
- David Fravala: 125.
- Robin Petrarca: 126.
- Michael Stefani, individually and as father and 127. next friend of Jade Bartels, minor child of Michael Stefani;
- Hollie A. Pomfret and Justin Pomfret, 128. individually and as parents and next friends of Alexis Pomfret and Skylar Pomfret, minor children of Hollie A. Pomfret;
- Justin Pomfret and Hollie A. Pomfret, 129. individually and as parents and next friends of Alexis Pomfret and Skylar Pomfret, minor children of Justin Pomfret.
- Al Prudhomme: 130.
- Charlene Prudhomme; 131.
- Robert Harrington; 132.
- Robert A. Barlow; 133.
- Kristen A. Brown; 134.
- Patricia L. Clarke, individually and as mother 135. and next friend of Kira Lynn Clarke, a minor;
- Gennaro Companatico, individually and as 136. father and next friend of Samantha Companatico and Genna Companatico, minors;
- Richard Cook, Sarah Amy Cook as wife of 137. Richard Cook and Richard and Sarah Cook as parents and next friends of their minor child, Cooper R. Cook;
- Richard DelSanto, individually and as parent 138. and next friend of his minor children, Jarred Ferrara and Evan Parr;
- Joseph A. Dibona, Jr.: 139:
- Linda M. Fisher individually, Kevin J. Fisher, 140. individually and Linda M. Fisher and Kevin J. Fisher as parents and next friends of Amber Fisher, a minor,
- Joseph M. Flynn; 141.

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- 142. Lisa C. Hale, individually and as mother and next friend of Kylen Hale, a minor:
- 143. Laurie A. Hussey, individually, John Edward Hussey, Jr., individually and Laurie A Hussey and John Edward Hussey as parents and next friends of Hallie Ann Hussey and Rayanna Leigh Hussey, minors;
- 144. Marc A. Lucier;
- 145. Matthew Mallette, individually, Jessica
  Mallette, individually and Matthew Mallette and
  Jessica Mallette as parents and next friends of
  Joshua Mallette and Cameron Mallette, minors;
- 146. John Mangan, Jr.;
- 147. Frances P. McMurray;
- 148. Christopher J. Nowicki;
- 149. Paul M. Pelletier:
- 150. Michael Perreault;
- 151. Christopher A. Peters;
- 152. Jonathan Petrin;
- 153. Jason Piscopio;
- 154. John A. Rezendes, individually and as father and next friend of Leah M. Rezendes and Cameron M. Rezendes, minors;
- 155. Catherine C. Sagesta individually and as mother and next friend of Christin Cameron and Samantha Cameron minors:
- 156. George Solitro;
- 157. Gary Stein individually and as father and next friend of Victoria Stein and Joshua Stein, minors:
- 158. Melissa A. Stephenson,
- 159. Ray F. Beauchaine, Jr., and Ray F. Beauchaine, Jr., as father and next friend of Ray F. Beauchaine, III, Christopher R. Beauchaine and Ashley Beauchaine, minor children of Ray Beauchaine, Jr.;
- 160. Julie Belson;
- 161. Kevin Blom;
- 162. Milisa Bump, individually and as mother and next friend of Dereck Bump and Sandra Dunn, minor children of Milisa Bump;
- 163. Jennifer Choquette;
- 164. Nicole Conant;
- 165. Stephanie Conant;
- 166. Arthur J. Conway, III;
- 167. Robert Cushman;

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- 168. Shauna Dell, and Claude Richard as husband of Shauna Dell;
- 169. Claude Richard and Shauna Dell as wife of Claude Richard;
- 170. Richard Dufour, Jr.;
- 171. James Dufresne, individually and as father and next friend of James J. Dufresne, Jr. and Bryan Dufresne, minor children of James Dufresne;
- 172. John Gibbs:
- 173. Gregory Gray;
- 174. Grant Hall;
- 175. Michael Iannone;
- 176. Adrian Krasinskas;
- 177. Joseph LoBianco;
- 178. David McGinn;
- 179. Deborah Peduzzi individually and Deborah Peduzzi and Robert Peduzzi as parents and next friends of Joseph Peduzzi and Ashley Peduzzi, minors;
- 180. Dawn Perry, individually and Stephen Perry, as husband of Dawn Perry;
- 181. Stephen Perry, individually and Dawn Perry, as wife of Stephen Perry;
- 182. Robin Precourt, and Justina Martin as minor daughter at the time of injury to Robin Precourt;
- 183. Gina Russo, and Gina Russo, as mother and next friend of Alex Odsen and Nicholas Odsen, minor children of Gina Russo;
- 184. Milton Servis, II;
- 185: Derrick Silva;
- 186. Erik Sippy;
- 187. David Steets, individually and as father and next friend of David M. Steets, a minor;
- 188. Raul Vargas and Melanie Vargas, individually and as parents and next friends of Bryan Vargas, a minor:
- 189. Jennifer Vieira;
- 190. Andrew S. Richardson, Trustee in Bankruptcy for Debra Wagner and Brian Wagner, individually, and Debra Wagner and Brian Wagner as parents and next friends of Krystal Wagner, a minor,
- 191. Gina M. Gauvin, individually and as parent and next friend of Shayna S. Gauvin and Joseph Jordan:
- 192. Scott C. Moresco, individually, and in his

capacity as natural parent, next friend	an	d
guardian of Tatiana Abel;		

- 193. Mario B. Cardillo individually and Kathleen M. Cardillo as wife of Mario B. Cardillo;
- 194. Kathleen M. Cardillo, individually, and Mario B. Cardillo as husband of Kathleen M. Cardillo.
- 195, Tammy M. St. Hilaire;
- 196. Robert P. Feeney;
- 197. David D. Brennan, individually and Susan Brennan as wife of David D. Brennan;
- 198. Robert M. Cripe
- 199. Neil E. Cronin;
- 200. Karen M. Gordon;
- 201. Paul R. Gordon;
- 202. Joseph A. Jones;
- 203. Lee A. Karvonen;
- 204. Theresia M. LaBree;
- Melissa J. Minor, individually and John Minor as husband of Melissa J. Minor;
- 206. Charles A. Oberg;
- 207. Linda A. Ormerod;
- 208. John S. Pinkham;
- 209. Victoria L. Potvin;
- 210. Kerrie A. Rock;
- 211. Timothy J. Rossano;
- 212. Nancy S. Trautz, individually and Chris C. Trautz as husband of Nancy S. Trautz;
- Donovan Williams individually and as parent and next friend of Zachary Williams, Hayley Williams and Dylan Williams;
- 214. Sharon A. Wilson;
- 215. Melanie Fontaine;
- 216. Shawn Lourenco and Mary Lourenco, as Legal Guardian on behalf of Shawn Lourenco's children, Bryan Lourenco, Brett Lourenco and Brad Lourenco;
- 217. Ashley A. Poland;
- 218. Joseph Cristina;
- 219. William Rancourt;
- 220. Matthew Dussauit;
- 221. Paul Bertolo;
- Cynthia A Nobles, individually, and Edward D.
   Nobles as husband of Cynthia A Nobles;
- Edward D. Nobles, individually, and Cynthia A.
   Nobles as wife of Edward D. Nobles;
- 224. Donald N. Trudeau, individually, and Roberta

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- Trudeau as wife of Donald N. Trudeau;
- 225. Jane C. Sylvester and Robert L. Sylvester, Co-Adm. of the Estate of Jason Sylvester;
- 226. Erin Pucino, individually and as mother and next friend of Sterling Pucino, her minor child (227 through 270 reserved)

#### Plaintiffs,

v.

- D1. Jeffrey Derderian;
- D2. Michael Derderian;
- D3. DERCO, LLC;
- D4. Howard Julian;
- D5. Triton Realty Limited Partnership;
- D6. Triton Realty, Inc.;
- D7. Raymond Villanova;
- D8. Jack Russell:
- D9. Jack Russell Touring, Inc.;
- D10. Paul Woolnough;
- D11. Manic Music Management, Inc.;
- D12. Knight Records, Inc.;
- D13. Daniel Biechele;
- D14. Anheuser-Busch, Incorporated;
- D15. Anheuser-Busch Companies, Incorporated;
- D16. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc.;
- D17. WHJY, Inc.:
- D18. Clear Channel Broadcasting, Inc.;
- D19. Denis P. Larocque, Fire Inspector;
- D20. Anthony Bettencourt
- D21. Diane DeRuosi, in her capacity as Treasurer of the Town of West Warwick;
- D22. State of Rhode Island;
- D23. Irving J. Owens, Fire Marshal;
- D24. Brian Butler;
- D25. LIN Television Corporation;
- D26. CBS Broadcasting, Inc. d/b/a WPRI Channel
- D27. Barry H. Warner;
- D28. Luna Tech, Inc.;
- D29. High Tech Special Effects, Inc.;
- D30. American Foam Corporation;
- D31. Leggett & Platt, Incorporated;
- D32. L&P Financial Services Co.;
- D33. General Foam Corporation;
- D34. GFC Foam, LLC;

- D35. Foamex LP
- D36. Foamex International Inc.;
- D37. FMXI, Inc.;
- D38. PMC, Inc.;
- D39. PMC Global, Inc.;
- D40. JBL Incorporated f/k/a James B. Lansing Sound, Incorporated d/b/a JBL Professional;
- D41. Essex Insurance Company;
- D42. Multi-State Inspections, Inc.;
- D43. High Caliber Inspections, Inc.:
- D44. Underwriters at Lloyd's, London;
- D45. Gresham & Associates of R.I., Inc.
- D46. Four Seasons Coach Leasing, Inc.,
- D47. through D58. "John Doe" defendants (being unknown defendants who manufactured, distributed, sold or installed non-flame-retardant foam or other defective products in use at The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003, who inspected the premises after installation of the foam but prior to February 20, 2003, who promoted, managed or produced the appearance of Great White at The Station nightclub on February 20, 2003, or who received property from Triton Realty-related persons or entities with intent to hinder, delay or defraud Plaintiffs).

#### Defendants

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Please take notice that the defendant Town of West Warwick has this day filed in the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island a Petition for Removal of the above-entitled action from the Providence County Superior Court for the State of Rhode Island to the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1441 and 1446.

Dated this 22nd day of July 2004.

Defendant Town of West Warwick, By its attorneys,

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I hereby certify that a true copy of the within was mailed, postage prepaid on this day of July 2004 to:

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### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

ALBERT L. GRAY, Administrator of the Estate of DEREK GRAY et al.,	)	$w_{\hat{\gamma}}$
Plaintiffs,	)	C.A No: 04-312-L
vs.	)	(R.I. Superior Court C.A. No. PC 04-3985)
JEFFREY DERDERIAN, et al.,	)	
Defendants.	)	

### NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Defendant ANHEUSER-BUSCH, INC., by its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of its removal of this action, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1369, 28 U.S.C. §1441(e), and 28 U.S.C. §1446, to the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island and in support thereof states as follows:

#### INTRODUCTION

- On February 20, 2003, a fire destroyed The Station nightclub 1. located in West Warwick, Rhode Island, resulting in the deaths of 100 people and injuries to hundreds more. See Compl. at p. 17.
- Within weeks of the tragedy, multiple lawsuits were filed in both 2. federal and state courts. On April 22, 2003, Passa v. Derderian, 03-CV-148 was filed in this court and assigned to the Honorable Judge Ronald R. Lagueux. Subject matter jurisdiction was predicated upon the newly enacted Multiparty, Multiforum Trial Jurisdiction Act ("MMTJA" or "the Act"), which vests federal courts with jurisdiction rue Copy Attest

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over actions involving a single accident at a discrete location resulting in the death of at least 75 persons. See 28 U.S.C. § 1369 (2003) ("Section 1369").1

- two of the actions originally filed in state court, asserting the MMTJA as the basis for subject matter jurisdiction. See Kingsley v. Derderian, 03-CV-208; Kinan v. Derco, LLC, 03-CV-207 (the Kinan action was voluntarily dismissed on July 8, 2003). On August 7, 2003, several parties (including Anheuser-Busch) relied on the MMTJA once again to remove three miscellaneous petitions that were filed in the Rhode Island state court shortly after the fire seeking to preserve certain pieces of evidence. See Alves v. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., 03-MC-70; O'Brien v. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., 03-MC-71; Unnamed Manufacturers v. McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., 03-MC-72 (the Unnamed Manufacturers petition was withdrawn on September 19, 2003). All of the removed actions were assigned to Judge Lagueux. See Exhibit A.
  - 4. Various parties challenged the Court's subject matter jurisdiction under the MMTJA. The issues were briefed and on October 15, 2003, Judge Lagueux heard oral argument. On March 29, 2004, he ruled that (1) the Court had subject matter jurisdiction over the pending fire-related actions under Section 1369 of the MMTJA; and (2) abstention under Section 1369(b) was not required. See Passa v. Derderian, 308 F. Supp. 2d 43, 65 (D.R.I. 2004). Judge Lagueux also stayed all discovery "until

<sup>&</sup>quot;[I]t is clear than in enacting § 1369, Congress intended to create a peach dispywlettest litigation stemming from one major disaster could easily be consolidated in one federal court for discovery and trial." Passa v. Derderian, 308 F. Supp. 3d 43, 53 (D.R.I. 1004).

September 1, 2004, in order to allow all potential plaintiffs an opportunity to bring suit and participate in discovery from the outset." *Id*.

- 5. On July 22, 2004, this action was filed in the Superior Court of Providence County on behalf of over 200 individuals seeking to recover for injuries arising out of The Station fire.
- set forth in Judge Lagueux's March 29 opinion. See Passa, 308 F. Supp. 2d 43.

  Specifically, subject matter jurisdiction exists under Section 1369(a) and the requirements of 28 U.S.C. § 1441(e)(1)(A) and (e)(1)(B)² have been met. First, this action is removable under Section 1441(e)(1)(A) because the action could have been originally filed under Section 1369(a). Alternatively and independently, this action is also removable under Section 1441(e)(1)(B) because Anheuser-Busch is a party to multiple actions originally filed in a federal district court under Section 1369 that arise from the same accident as this action. See e.g., Passa v. Derderian, 03-CV-148; Kingsley v. Derderian, 03-CV-208; Guindon v. American Foam Corp., 03-CV-335; Henault v. American Foam Corp., 03-CV-483; Roderiques v. American Foam Corp., 04-CV-26; Sweet v. American Foam Corp., 04-CV-56.

## NATURE OF THE ACTION

Plaintiffs are alleged to be citizens of multiple states including Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Florida, Maine and Ohio. See Compl. at  $\P$  1 - 226.

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Section 1441(e) was revised at the time the MMTJA was enacted to set forth the criteria for removing actions governed by the Act.

- 7. Plaintiffs allege that "on February 20, 2003 . . . a fire was caused to spread throughout and to consume the premises at 211 Cowesett Avenue, West Warwick," and that as a result, "plaintiffs were caused to sustain injuries and/or death and other damages." *Id.* at ¶ 271.
- 8. The Complaint names fifty-seven defendants, including ten "John Doe" defendants.
- 9. Plaintiffs assert a negligence claim against defendant Anheuser-Busch, Inc. *Id.* at ¶ 386.

## SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION

10. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action under 28 U.S.C. § 1369(a) which provides that:

The district courts shall have original jurisdiction of any civil action involving minimal diversity between adverse parties that arises from a single accident, where at least 75 natural persons have died in the accident at a discrete location, if (1) a defendant resides in a State and a substantial part of the accident took place in another State or other location, regardless of whether that defendant is also a resident of the State where a substantial part of the accident took place; (2) any two defendants reside in different States regardless of whether such defendants are also residents of the same State or States; or (3) substantial parts of the accident took place in different States.

28 U.S.C. § 1369(a)(1)-(3) (2003).

11. "[M]inimal diversity exists between adverse parties if any party is a citizen of a State and any adverse party is a citizen of another state." 28 U.S.C. § 1369(c)(1) (2004). Such is the case here because at the time of the filing of the action and at all times since, defendant Anheuser-Busch, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Missouri, with its principal place of business in St. Louis, rue Copy Attest

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Missouri, and at least one plaintiff is a citizen of another state. For example, at the time of the filing of this action and "at times material hereto," plaintiff Kathleen Sullivan is alleged to be a citizen of the state of Massachusetts. See Compl. at ¶ 80. Accordingly, minimal diversity exists between adverse parties.

- 12. At least seventy-five people died as a result of the fire at The Station. See id. at p. 17.
- 13. Jurisdiction is proper under at least two of the three independent bases set forth in Section 1369(a). The requirement of Section 1369(a)(1) is satisfied because the residency<sup>3</sup> of one defendant, Anheuser-Busch, a Missouri resident, differs from the state where a substantial part of the accident occurred.
- 14. In addition, Section 1369(a)(2) is satisfied because at least two of the defendants reside in different states, as it is alleged that defendants Jack Russell (the lead singer of Great White) and Daniel Biechele (Great White's tour manager) are California residents, see Compl. at ¶¶ 328, 368, while Anheuser-Busch is a Missouri resident. Id. at ¶ 376.

## REMOVAL AUTHORITY

- 15. Removal of this action is authorized under 28 U.S.C. §1441(e)(1), which provides for removal if:
  - (A) the action could have been brought in a United States court under section 1369 [of title 28]; or (B) the defendant is a party to an action which is or could have been brought, in whole or part, under section 1369 in a United States

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For purposes of this section, "a corporation is deemed to be a resident of any State in which it is incorporated or licensed to do business or is doing business." 28 U.S.C. §1369(c)(2) (2003).

district court and arises from the same accident as the action in the State court, even if the action to be removed could not have been brought in a district court as an original matter.

28 U.S.C. § 1441(e)(1)(A) and (B). This case is removable under both subsections 1441(e)(1)(A) and (B).

- 16. Removal is proper under Section 1441(e)(1)(A) because, as established previously, this action could have originally been brought in federal court under Section 1369. See supra ¶¶ 12-15.
- 17. Removal is also independently proper under Section 1441(e)(1)(B) because Anheuser-Busch is a party to multiple actions which were filed in federal court, assert jurisdiction under Section 1369, and arise out of the same accident as the instant action. See Exhibit A. "As a result, § 1441(e)(1)(B) allows Anheuser-Busch to remove to federal court any civil action arising from the same accident in which it is named as a defendant." Passa, 308 F. Supp. 3d at 63.
- 18. This Notice of Removal is timely under Section 1441(e) which provides:

Removal of an action under this section shall be made in accordance with section 1446 of this title . . . or at a later time with leave of the district court.

28 U.S.C. § 1441(e) (2003).

19. As of the date of the filing of this Notice of Removal, Anheuser-Busch had not been served with process, therefore the removal is well within the 30-day period provided for in 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b). Moreover, Section1441(e) also provides that removal may take place at a later time with leave of the district court. See id.

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- 20. Finally, unlike the general rule pertaining to actions removable under 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a), consent of all properly joined and served defendants is not required under Section 1441(e). The plain language of Section 1441(e) vests the right of removal in "a defendant" in the singular and thus must be interpreted to allow any defendant to remove without the consent of any other defendants.
- 21. In the alternative, if, assuming arguendo, that the Court found consent to be required for a removal under Section 1441(e), upon information and belief, only one defendant, the Town of West Warwick, has waived service and has filed its own Notice of Removal which would indicate its consent. See Hernandez-Lopez v. Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, 30 F. Supp. 2d 205, 208 (D.P.R. 1998) (consent requirement extends only to properly joined and served defendants).

# COMPLIANCE WITH PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

- 22. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a), as of the date of this Notice, defendant has not been served with any process, pleadings, or orders, therefore none are attached hereto.
- 23. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), a copy of this Notice of Removal is also being filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Providence County, Rhode Island and defendant will also promptly give written notice to all adverse parties of the filing of this Notice of Removal.
- 24. By removing this action to this Court, defendant does not waive any available defenses.

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# 25. Defendant reserves the right to amend or supplement this

Notice of Removal.

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### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2004, I served a true copy of the within document via first class mail, postage prepaid to the following parties:

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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

ALBERT L. GRAY, Administrator, et al. **Plaintiffs** 

vs.

C.A. No. 04-312-L

JEFFREY DERDERIAN, et al. Defendants

# NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF OTHER ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to Rule 31 of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island, defendant Anheuser-Busch, Inc. submits that the following list of actions and proceedings known to counsel for Anheuser-Busch as of this date:

# United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island

1.

C.A. No. 03-148-L Tammy Passa, Alias, Walter Castle, Jr., Alias and Cheryl Harris-Rossi (next-of-kin of decedent, Joseph E. Rossi) v. Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO, LLC, Manic Music Management, Inc., Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc., Anheuser-Busch Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Shell Oil Co. d/b/a/ Motiva Enterprises, LLC, Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, American Foam Corporation, General Foam Corporation, Foamex International, Inc., WHJY, Inc., Clear Channel Communications, Inc., Clear Channel Broadcasting, Inc., Town of West Warwick, Dennis Larocque (individually and as Fire Inspector for the Town of West Warwick), State of Rhode Island, Irving J. Owens (individually and in his capacity as Fire Marshall for the State of Rhode Islandopy Attest Realty Limited Partnership, Triton Realty, Inc. and

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Marshall for the State of Rhode Island), Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Triton Realty, Inc., and John Does 1 through 100. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, strict liability, breach of implied warranty of merchantability relating to the deaths and/or injuries to plaintiffs. (Atty. - Ronald J. Resmini, Esq., 155 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903)

2.

C.A. No. 03-208-L Ronald Kingsley, as parent and next friend of Zoe Jean Kingsley, a minor, and on behalf of all beneficiaries of Lisa Kelly, decedent v. Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO d/b/a The Station, Manic Music Management, Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, American Foam Corporation, WHJY-FM, Clear Channel Communications, Inc., and Does 1 through 100. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, strict liability, sponsorship liability. Removed from Providence County Superior Court on May 30, 2003, and docketed therein as C.A. No. PC 03-1171. (Atty. - Stefanie DiMaio Larivee, Esq., 215 Broadway, Providence, RI 02903)

M.C. 03-70-L 3.

In Re: The Station Fire In West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003. Removed from Providence County Superior Court on August 7, 2003, and captioned therein as M.P. 03-1326, Petition of Luis F. Alves & Mary A. Alves (statutory beneficiaries of Luis S. Alves, deceased), and Robert W. Rager. Petitioners stated intent to present civil claims and sought (1) court order authorizing their investigative team to enter premises of The Station to conduct forensic examination and investigation; and (2) permission to subpoena WPRI-TV for all video recordings made at The Station on February 20, 2003.

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M.C. 03-71-L 4.

In Re: The Station Fire In West Warwick, Rhode Island on February 20, 2003. Removed from Providence County Superior Court on August 7, 2003 and captioned therein as M.P. 03-1346, Petition of Judith O'Brien (mother of Robert J. Reisner, deceased), Lawrence Fick (father & guardian of minor children of Charlene Fick, deceased), Deborah Lemay, Claire Bruyere (mother of Bonnie Hamelin. deceased), Nancy A. Lee (mother of Christopher Prouty, deceased), Michael Perrault. Petitioners stated intent to present civil claims and retained a team of fire investigation professionals to conduct on-site investigation, and sought (1) permission for experts to enter site and conduct forensic fire investigation; and (2) permission to subpoena WPRI-TV for all video recordings made at The Station on February 20, 2003.

(Atty. - Mark S. Mandell, Esq. & Yvette M. Boisclair, Esq., Mandell, Schwartz & Boisclair, One Park Row, Providence, RI 02903 [on behalf of O'Brien, Fick & Lemay], and Max Wistow, Esq., Wistow & Barylick, Inc., 61 Weybosset Street, Providence, RI 02903 [on behalf of Bruyere, Lee & Perrault1)

5.

C.A. No. 03-335-L George Guindon, Barbara Guindon (individually and as mother and next of fried of Erica Guindon, minor), Tammy Ayer (guardian and next of friend of Kayla Marie Dorothy Abbenante Ayer, minor), Louis Rossi (administrator of Estate of Joseph Rossi), Christopher Scot, Julianna Giaven, Eric Malardo, Michelle Malardo, Richard Sanetti, Patricia Sanetti, Michelle Spence (individually and as mother and next of friend of Hailey Spence, minor), Catherine Carignan, Edward Corbett, III, Paul and Betty Roe (individually and as co-administrators of the Estate of Lori K. Durante), Daniel Davidson, and Stephen Bruno v. American Foam Corporation, Foamex International, Barry H. Warner, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Jeffrey Derderian, Michael

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Derderian, DERCO, LLC, Manic Music Management, Inc., Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, Clear Channel Communications, Inc. d/b/a WHJY-FM, Motiva Enterprises, LLC, Shell Oil Company, Town of West Warwick, Dennis Larocque, State of Rhode Island and Irving J. Owens. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, product liability, wrongful death, and loss of consortium relating to the deaths and/or injuries to plaintiffs. (Atty. - Brian R. Cunha, Esq., Brian Cunha & Associates, 904 Broadway, East Providence, RI 02914)

6.

C.A. No. 03-483-L Estate of Jude B. Henault by Chad M. Henault and Angela Boggs (co-administrators), Angela Boggs (individually), Rachel M. Henault (ppa Chad M. Henault), Andrew J. Henault (ppa Chad M. Henault), Estate of Samuel A. Miceli, Jr. by Madeline P. Miceli (administrator), Estate of Melvin A. Gerfin, Jr. by Deborah A. Gerfin and Laura Gerfin (co-administrators), Deborah Gerfin (individually), Laura Gerfin (individually), Kelly Gerfin (ppa Deborah Gerfin), Meagan Gerfin (ppa Deborah Gerfin), Nancy Noyes, Caroline Telegarsky (administrator of Estate of Sara Jane Telegarsky), Sarah Jane Telegarsky (individually), Glenn Johnson, Lisa Johnson, and Melanie Holliday v. American Foam Corporation, Barry H. Warner, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO, LLC, Manic Music Management, Inc., Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, Clear Channel Communications, Inc. d/b/a WHJY-FM, Strawberries, Inc., Citadel Communications Corporation d/b/a WQGN-Fm, Motiva Enterprises, LLC, Shell Oil Company, Town Comes Wastwick, Hy & Suid, A

Dennis Larocque, State of Rhode Island and Irving J. Owens. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, loss of consortium and joint venture theories relating to the deaths and/or injuries to plaintiffs. Transferred from the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut on October 22, 2003, and docketed therein as C.A. no. 3:03-CV-00999-DJS.

(Atty. - Robert Reardon, Esq. & Robert T. Rimmer, Esq., The Reardon Law Firm, P.C., 160 Hempstead Street, New London, CT 06320 [on behalf of Henault, Miceli, Gerfin and Noyes plaintiffs], John J. Nazzaro, Esq., 164 Hempstead Street, New London, CT 06320 [on behalf of Gerfin plaintiffs], Daniel J. Horgan, Esq., Shaw Cove 5, Suite 200, New London, CT 06320 [on behalf of Johnsons and Holliday plaintiffs], Ralph J. Monaco, Esq., Conway & Londregan, P.C., 38 Huntington Street, P.O. Box 1351, New London, CT 06320 [on behalf of Telegarsky plaintiffs])

#### 7. C.A. 04-026**-**L

Linda Roderiques (individually, as administrator of the Estate of Donald Roderiques, and as mother and next of friend Mandi Roderiques, minor) v. American Foam Corporation, Foamex International, Barry H. Warner, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO, LLC, Manic Music Management, Inc., Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Companies, Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, Clear Channel Communications, Inc. d/b/a WHJY-FM, Motiva Enterprises, LLC, Shell Oil Company, Town of West Warwick, Dennis Larocque, State of Rhode Island and Irving J. Owens. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, product liability, wrongful death, and loss of consortium relating to the deaths and/or injuries to plaintiffs. Transferred from the United States District Court of the District of Massachusetts on February 2, 2004, and Accketed therein as C.A. No. 03-11497-New Strick, A.

(Atty. - Brian R. Cunha, Esq., Brian Cunha & Associates, 904 Broadway, East Providence, RI 02914)

8. C.A. 04-056-L

Charles and Carol Sweet (individually and as administrators of the Estate of Shawn Sweet) v. American Foam Corporation, Foamex International, Barry H. Warner, Triton Realty Limited Partnership, Jeffrey Derderian, Michael Derderian, DERCO, LLC, Manic Music Management, Inc., Jack Russell, Mark Kendall, David Filice, Eric Powers, Daniel Bichele, Paul Woolnough, Knight Records, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Companies, Inc., McLaughlin & Moran, Inc., Luna Tech, Inc., Luna Tech Pyrotechnik GmbH, Clear Channel Communications, Inc. d/b/a WHJY-FM, Motiva Enterprises, LLC, Shell Oil Company, Town of West Warwick, Dennis Larocque, State of Rhode Island and Irving J. Owens. Personal injury claims, including counts for negligence, product liability, wrongful death, and loss of consortium relating to the deaths and/or injuries to plaintiffs. Transferred from the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts on February 24, 2004, and docketed therein as C.A. No. 03-11496-RWZ. (Atty. - Brian R. Cunha, Esq., Brian Cunha & Associates, 904 Broadway, East Providence, RI 02914)

## Rhode Island Superior Court, Providence County

9. M.P. 03-1401

Petition of Renee C. Walton (temporary guardian of Gina Gauvin). Petitioner stated intent to present civil claim and has retained fire investigation expert. Sought and was granted permission (1) for expert to enter site to conduct a forensic fire investigation; and (2) permission to subpoena WPRI-TV for all video recordings made at The Station on February 20, 2003)

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